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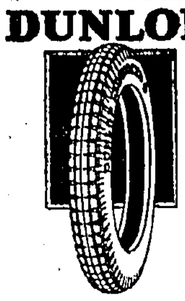

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TRAIN DISASTER RELIEF.

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LETTER FROM DIRECTORS.

In connection with the Train Disaster Relief Fund suggested by the *China Mail* editorially on the day following the disaster, we have received the following letter from the Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital:—

The Editor,

China Mail & *Sunday Herald*.

Dear Sir,

I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter of the 24th April last concerning the creation of a public relief fund in aid of the dependants of those who have lost their lives or have been injured in connection with the late railway disaster, and I am directed to inform you that the Directors of this Hospital are prepared to administer any such fund which might be collected.

The Directors further wish me to thank you and your staff for taking an interest in the matter.

Yours faithfully,

NGAN SHING-KWAN,

Chairman.

Hong Kong, May 2.

The relief fund can now be regarded as already established and moneys which have already been collected by those who have given spontaneous support to the *China Mail's* idea even before arrangements incidental to the opening of a public fund had been made, can now be forwarded to the Directors of the Tung Wah Hospital. Others who were prepared to contribute but have waited for the question of the administration of the fund to be settled can now also sent their cheques. Lists of donations will be published in the *China Mail* and *Sunday Herald* from time to time, as and when received from the Tung Wah Hospital Directors.

In connection with the creation of the fund, we thank the Chinese gentlemen who have given us their support from its inception, and we can truly say that the Colony is enriched by having such public spirited men among its residents.

Practical Sympathy.

It is not intended to confine the fund to the Chinese of the Colony. It goes without saying that in a calamity such as the railway disaster the Colony as a whole will like to show practical sympathy with the Chinese sufferers and the relatives of the victims, so send your donations along. Large or small does not matter, it is the gesture of sympathy that counts.

That the railway disaster is one which calls for a public fund is demonstrated by the fact that all the killed and injured are Chinese of the poorer classes. To the dependants of the killed it will mean lightening their bitter lot now that their bread winners have been taken away, and for those who have been maimed for life, as in the case of the young boy whose leg was amputated—to recall only one terrible result of the disaster — a share of such a fund as is now open will mean a chance for him to surmount his handicap and become a useful citizen instead of resorting to begging for a living.

A Curious Attitude.

We cannot close this article without making a passing reference to the curious attitude taken by a certain Chinese newspaper in connection with the fund. This paper we do not propose to mention even by name as it is obviously out to gain publicity for itself by appearing to be "outspoken." Suffice it to say that several wild statements made in its columns with regard to certain moneys already collected are not based on facts. And for it to suggest that anyone who had co-operated with us in the creation of this fund was prompted by a desire to secure self-advertisement is petty, to say the least of it, and we feel sure that anyone who read that paper will not take any notice of its attempt at ridicule but will rather be filled with admiration for the public spirit of its "victim."

CHATER ROAD MOTOR CHAOS.

Indian Fined for Soliciting Fare.

A.S.P. AS PROSECUTOR.

Alla Ditta, an Indian motor driver, was summoned before Mr. W. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning, on two counts, namely (a) negligent driving in Chater Road, and (b) soliciting for passengers. Defendant pleaded guilty to both charges. The complainant was Mr. L. H. V. Booth, Assistant Superintendent of Police.

Mr. Booth said that at 11.40 p.m. on April 24 he was in company with Mr. D. Burlingham, D.S.P. (Kowloon) and Mrs. Booth, coming down Pedder Street. At the junction of Chater Road, the defendant's car was nearly stationary near the stand outside Komor's. Another car, which was also stationary, was outside Ullmann's premises.

A Fast Pace.

They were walking along, when the latter car, which was on the correct side of the road, came toward them. In a race to beat that car, defendant drove his car at a speed of about 25 miles an hour, and cut across the private car stand in Chater Road, stopping in front of Mr. Booth and Mr. Burlingham.

"I have never seen a car go so fast in Chater Road," said Mr. Booth, who went on to explain that defendant easily could have run down a number of rikishas which should not have been at the stand. "We were, of course, in plain clothes, and he could not see who we were," concluded the A.S.P.

Traffic Inspector Alexander remarked that defendant had been fined for dangerous driving in 1929 and 1930, and had knocked a person down last year.

On the summons for negligent driving his Worship imposed a fine of $25, whilst a fine of $5 was imposed on the charge of soliciting.

Parking Offence.

Alla Ditta was further summoned for having caused an obstruction to vehicles and pedestrians in Chater Road on April 22. It was stated that the stand allowed for 28 cars to park, and defendant's car was one of three in excess on the day in question.

Before defendant left the Court, the Magistrate said:—"Motor drivers take a warning that the next time they solicit it may be Mr. Booth or some other Police officer."

HORN BLOWING.

SUMMONS AGAINST F. R. ZIMMERN.

HELD TO BE JUSTIFIED.

Mr. F. R. Zimmern was summoned before Mr. W. Schofield in the Central Magistracy this morning with having sounded his horn in Pedder Street, on April 22, at 7.10 p.m. in a manner calculated to cause annoyance to the public.

Traffic-Sergeant Peter Guild said that the defendant sounded his electric horn altogether five times. The car was stationary at the time, and when he asked defendant what was the matter, the latter replied that he sounded the horn to attract the attention of his friends, who were standing on the pavement.

Replying to the defendant, Sergeant Guild said that defendant's was the only horn that was sounded, and there was not much traffic at that time.

Mr. Zimmern, testified that he was in the car for not more than ten seconds and was on the verge of starting when the Sergeant came up to him. He told the officer that sounded his horn twice and that was to get the crowd away from where he wanted to proceed, and not to attract their attention.

Mr. J. Kotewall gave corroborative evidence. He stated that the horn was sounded not more than twice. There was heavy traffic at the time.

Mr. Schofield said that the defendant had admitted that he had sound his horn twice and that there was traffic at the road at the time. The fact that defendant was just about to move out of the stand, coupled with the fact that it was quite dark, justified the blowing of the horn twice. He would decide in defendant's favour and discharge him.

CHINA'S POLITICS PERPLEXING!

Position Not Capable of Definition."

MR. HENDERSON FLOORED?

London, Yesterday.

"I expect to have to make a statement on May 6 on extrality, and will at present defer saying anything on the matter," declared Mr. Henderson when the question of extrality was raised in the House of Commons as a supplementary to a question as regards which of the provinces in China at present were not under effective control of Nanking.

Mr. Henderson said "he feared the position was scarcely capable of exact definition," but he would do his best.

Invitation To Hu Han-min.

Shanghai, To-day.

The China Press correspondent at Nanking states that the War Minister, Ho Ying-ching, arrived yesterday afternoon from Kiuklang. Interviewed, he said that the differences of opinion among the various members of the Central Supervisory Committee should be easily clarified as a matter of Party routine, and would not be allowed to spread.

Tai Chi-tao called on Hu Han-min to-day and conveyed the Government's invitation to the latter to attend the Peoples' Convention.

"Without Principle."

Nanking, Yesterday.

Chiang Kai-shek to-day described the Canton revolt as being without principle, without proper organisation and without a recognised leader.

He declared that it would not last any length of time, and assured the public that the National Government would suppress it in the immediate future without recourse to arms.—Reuter.

CHIANG KAI-SHEK DENOUNCED

Six Charges Against Him Specified.

Canton, Yesterday.

A circular telegram was sent out on the evening of April 30 by the Central Supervisory Committee members Teng Chak-yu, Lin Sen, Hsiao Fat-cheng and Koo Ying-fen, to the Central Party Headquarters, military leaders, chairmen of the various provinces throughout the country and presidents of the various yuans, against Chiang Kai-shek. The telegram was to the following effect:—

1. "Referring back to past speeches and conversations we found Chiang Kai-shek always acted as if he were the successor to our late Party Leader.

2. "The Communist-bandits who were but small in number at the beginning could have been easily eradicated. Chiang had neglected this important item and let them multiply in the four southern provinces. He has concentrated over 20 divisions in the name of bandit-suppression but so far the order for a general offensive has not been issued. Moreover, Chiang's followers, have been in the practice of leaking out news so that there has never been a direct encounter between bandits and a large body of Government troops.

3. "Chiang instructed his followers, such as Chen Kuo-fu, to usurp authority at the various Kuomintang Party Headquarters and such as Ting Wei-fan, to sow dissension among the parties.

4. "Chiang appointed his brother-in-law, T. V. Soong, as Finance Minister. From the Northern expedition down to the present, Soong has never given out a public statement of accounts.

5. "The Ching Hsueh Hui (Political Clique) was the chief enemy of our Kuomintang Party during the regime of the late Yuan Shih-kai. Members of the former clique as Chang Sze-chin, Yang Yung-tai and Tang Chi have been appointed to high positions by Chiang, thus resulting in a split among members of the Kuomintang.

6. "General Hsu Hsung-chi is a loyal member of the Kuomintang, having rendered valuable services to the Chinese Republic. Chiang overthrew him.

"General Wu Tieh-cheng was suppressing Communist-bandits, acting under Chiang's order, but was detained by Chiang in the Fort of Bocca Tigris for 170 days when Chiang changed his policy and co-operated with Borodin again.

"Mr. Hu Han-min, President of the Legislative Yuan, was unlawfully detained by Chiang at Tangshan

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PROTEST AGAINST HIGH TARIFFS.

One of the Causes of Economic Troubles.

INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS.

Washington, Yesterday.

In welcoming the 1,000 delegates of 47 nations at the Congress of International Chambers of Commerce, President Hoover urged business men to pursue disarmament, as it was calculated to

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do more for economic rehabilitation than any other remedy.

Officials of the Congress are anticipating that, apart from the tangible results of the conference, a psychological effect at the present juncture will sound a note of world-wide confidence.

The wide scope of the agenda, however, will render keen controversies inevitable.

The fringe of this was touched to-day by the Belgian ex-Premier, M. Theunis, whose presidential address created a sensation, singling out high tariffs as "one of the fundamental causes of the present economic troubles."—Reuter's American Service.

TURKEY TO BRITAIN IN 14 HOURS.

New Record Established by Capt. Stack.

NON-STOP FLIGHT.

London, Yesterday.

Captain Neville Stack started from Constantinople this morning and reached Heston to-night, thus setting up a new record of 14¾ hours for the journey.—Reuter.

EX-SENATOR NOT TO MAKE APPEAL.

Sequel to Teapot Dome Scandal.

NAVAL OIL LEASES.

New York, Yesterday.

The ex-Senator, Mr. Albert Fall, has decided not to appeal at the Supreme Court against the sentence of one year's imprisonment and a fine of $100,000 in connection with the Naval oil leases in California.—Reuter's American Service.

OVERCAST.

To-day's weather report from the Royal Observatory states:—

A moderate anti-cyclone remains central near Tokyo and a depression is still shown over Indo-China.

Local forecast:—E. winds; moderate; overcast.

Rainfall.

Rainfall for 24 hours ended at 10 a.m. to-day—nil.

Rainfall since January 1—14.78 inches against an average of 12.83 inches—surplus 1.95 inches.

Temperature.

The temperature at certain specified centres this morning at 6 o'clock was:—

Hong Kong	78
Macao	74
Pratas Island	79
Manila	79
Foochow	69
Chefoo	62
Shanghai	65

MR. SNOWDEN'S LAND TAX PROPOSALS.

Annual Levy of one Shilling in the Pound.

CEMETERIES EXEMPTED.

Rugby, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons today the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Philip Snowden, explained the proposals for the taxation of land values for which, as he announced in his Budget speech, provision will be made in this year's Finance Bill. Though the tax cannot be imposed for two years, by such time the necessary or preliminary valuation can be carried out. He said that the striction of the use of land was the restriction of human endeavour. Land values were rising in large towns to fabulous prices. The Lordship of Liverpool was from £635 or £440, but recently in Liverpool had been sold for more than £1,000,000 an acre. He described the tax on land as a "rent to the community for the property of the community."

The revenue would not be the only advantage but also the effect it would have of cheap land. The first step was valuation. It would begin in October and be completed within two years at an estimated cost of between £1,000,000 and £1,500,000.

Basis of Rating.

Adopting the advice of Mr. Lloyd George, he proposed that it should be as simple and direct as possible, avoiding complexities upon which the former scheme for taxation of Land Values broke down. There would be between 10,000,000 and 12,000,000 separate hereditaments to value. Values estimated would be made public and he hoped would become in due course the basis for the purchase of land for public purposes and the basis of local rating.

Mr. Snowden said that the tax, which would be levied at the rate of one penny in the pound, would not apply to agricultural land and land of higher value would be subject to a tax only on excess over its agricultural value. There would be exemption where the total amount payable did not exceed ten shillings—equivalent to the capital value of £120. Certain land would be exempt, such as sites for churches, public buildings, hospitals and land used by railways and other public utility companies. He would not venture to give an estimate of the yield at present.

He claimed that the scheme was practical and beneficial and would deal effectively with a great social wrong.

Sir Austen Chamberlain reserved criticism of the opposition till the proposal was available in detail. He said that the effect of the tax would be to put an additional burden of income tax on a class of property which already paid its full contribution.—British Wireless Service.

London, Yesterday.

Mr. Philip Snowden outlined the land tax proposals, indicated in the Budget, in the House of Commons this afternoon, when he moved a financial resolution authorising a tax of a penny in the pound sterling annually, beginning with the financial year 1933-4.

He said that the tax did not apply to agricultural land, except in cases of excess above its agricultural value; land used for religious or philanthropic purposes, cemeteries, municipal railways and other statutory and public utility concerns, where unalienable, would be exempted.

The statement that taxation would not be imposed where it did not exceed ten shillings was greeted with Conservative shouts of "bribery."

Mr. Baldwin said that the Opposition would await the introduction of the Bill itself before discussing the proposal at length.—Reuter.

SUICIDE IN HARBOUR.

Wong Shing, a seaman on board the Yaumati Ferry launch Man Ping, reported to the Police that at 1.45 o'clock this morning, whilst the vessel was journeying from Hong Kong to Yaumati, a Chinese first class passenger jumped overboard as the launch was passing the Kowloon Godowns. A stop was made and a vigilant search instituted, but without any result.

BRITISH SUBJECTS UNMOLESTED.

Madeira Rebels Offer to Surrender.

SITUATION PEACEFUL.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Questioned in the House of Commons on the situation in Madeira the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Henderson, said that last Saturday the insurgents telegraphed to the Commander of the Portuguese Government offering surrender. Most of the Insurgent Officers and some civilians took refuge in H.M.S. London. Some had already surrendered voluntarily and he anticipated that a satisfactory arrangement with regard to the others would be made shortly.

So far as he was aware, British subjects had in no way been molested. He had no information as to whether damage had been done to British property. The fact that the British Consul had considered that the presence of H.M.S. London was no longer required suggested that British subjects were in no danger. H.M.S. Curlew would remain for the present.—British Wireless Service.

Earlier News.

Funchal, Yesterday.

Although Madeira's almost bloodless war has ended, the population of the island is living in a state of siege. Martial law has been declared by the restored Civil Governor Almeida Cabaca (who only a day or two ago was a prisoner in the hands of the rebels) following the discovery of bombs and other arms distributed by the rebels to civilians.

The rebel "dictator," Souza Dias, and his leading officers are detained near Funchal. Others have fled to the hills, and some to the British and Brazilian Consulates in the hope of obtaining immunity.

In spite of the bombardment there were very few casualties among the troops on either side during the operations, and none among the civilians.—Reuter.

BOYCOTT TO END?

TO BE WITHDRAWN AS POLITICAL MEASURE.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Answering a House of Commons' question on the Irwin-Gandhi agreement and the economical boycott of British goods, the Secretary for India, Mr. Wedgwood-Benn, said that the purpose of the agreement was to put a stop to the use of the boycott of British goods as a political measure. He had every reason to believe that, speaking generally, the agreement was being implemented and that the discrimination against British goods as such had been in the main withdrawn.

Asked whether it was proposed to transfer further provincial services under devolution rules and if so, which services, Mr. Benn said that the Prime Minister undertook that an enquiry would be made as to the possibility of introducing by an administrative act changes which would not necessitate an amendment of the Government of India Act. No decisions had yet been taken but important matters under this head would require to be brought directly to the notice of Parliament.—British Wireless Service.

ROYAL GUESTS.

RECEPTION TO JAPANESE PRINCE IN OTTAWA.

Ottawa, Yesterday.

The House of Commons adjourned an hour earlier to-day to permit members to attend a reception given by the speakers of the Senate and House of Commons in honour of Prince and Princess Takamatsu, who subsequently were the guests of honour of the Government at dinner.—Reuter.

SCAFFOLD COLLAPSES.

A scaffolding erected at the premises of the Green Island Cement Company at Hunghom collapsed at 12.15 p.m. yesterday, bringing to earth eight workmen who were standing on the structure at the time.

Two coolies, Chan Ying (47) and Sze Tam (38), were removed to the Kowloon Hospital, but their injuries are not considered serious.

WHERE THE MONEY GOES.

Nearly $30,000 for Pensions.

POLICE PASSAGE MONEY.

At the meeting of the Finance Committee on Thursday the following Votes will be considered:—

Estimates, 1930.

Defence "A":—20, 6-Wheel Motor: $4.

The excess is due to the fall in the sterling value in the dollar between the date of assessing value and the actual payment.

Widows' and Orphans' Pensions: $7,255.

Provision made in Estimates	$135,000
Provision made by Supplementary Vote	30,000
Total	$165,000

This Vote was supplemented in December but the amount required was under-estimated. The excess is due to low exchange.

Civil Pensions: $29,145.

Provision made in Estimates	$535,000
Provision made by Supplementary Vote	75,000
Total	$610,000

This Vote was supplemented in December but the amount required was under-estimated. The excess is due to low exchange.

Police Force, Passages: $3,171.

Provision made in Estimates	$130,000
Provision made by Supplementary Vote	50,000
Total	$180,000

Owing to the lower rate of exchange the supplementary vote of $50,000 proves to be insufficient. A further vote of $3,171 is therefore requested to meet the expenditure to December, 1930.

The above is to be met from savings under Rent of Stations (1930 Estimates page 40 sub-head 23).

Police Force, Incidental Expenses: $435.

Provision made in Estimates	$5,000
Provision made by Supplementary Vote	350
Total	$5,350

Owing to the unforeseen expenditure at Scotland Yard for Mr. C. G. Perdue a further vote of $485 is required to meet expenditure incurred.

The above is to be met from savings under Rations for Indian Police.

As per schedule (Police Force, one Photostat, $1,244; Fire Brigade, repairs to motor engine and plant, $330; Fire Brigade, Personal Emoluments, $118): $1,692.

Provision made in Estimates: $167,018.

The provision made in 1930 Estimates was based on a rate of exchange of $1—1s. 10d. The sums provided have, in consequence of the fall in exchange, become insufficient in cases dealing with sterling payments. A number of cases appear in the schedule, and a vote for $1,692 to cover the total excess concerned is requested.

Estimates, 1931.

Public Works Extraordinary, Kowloon:—Additional 100 line Telephone Exchange Switchboard for Kowloon: $500.

As the switchboard did not arrive in the Colony till the 19th of December, 1930, it was found impossible to complete the work in that year and only $3,600 was spent.

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STOP PRESS

Nanking, To-day.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek received a great ovation on opening the People's Convention at nine o'clock this morning. He lengthily reported on the National Government's activities and reviewed the world affairs, emphasising the progress of Soviet Government's success with the Five Year Plan. Prominent officials present included Chang Hsueh-liang, Ho Ying-ching, Chen Kuo-fu, Madame Chiang Kai-shek and the Panchen Lama.—Reuter.

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F. McD. COURTNEY,
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PLAN OF A CUSTOMS UNION.

Interview with Austrian Foreign Minister.

[By Our Correspondent.]
Vienna March 31.

Vice-Chancellor and Foreign Minister Dr. Johann Schober received your correspondent and spoke in detail of the attitude of Austria regarding the plan of a customs union with Germany.

Foreign Minister Dr. Schober declared: Austria has repeatedly appealed to the conscience of the world and to the conscience of Europe, and I would emphasize gratefully that the League of Nations as a matter of fact in 1922 gave Austria financial assistance. But it was unable to improve Austrian economic life and all efforts, even those of the League, to help Austria in this respect, had no success. In 1925 the League of Nations instructed the Succession States and the neighbours of Austria as to how Austria might be assisted and how a market might be assured to her products and in particular to her industrial products. But nothing was done and economic difficulties in Europe, particularly in Central Europe grew from year to year and finally, led to the fact that the French Foreign Minister himself started the idea of economic collaboration of the European states.

Pan-European Front.

In September 1930 a Pan-European front was formed. I was present in this conference in my quality of Austrian Federal Chancellor. I must say that I heard nothing but complaints in Geneva on the failure of all the attempts, but that I witnessed no positive statement regarding any help to be expected within any given time. The result was that the Pan-Europe Commission should make proposals. On the occasion of that conference in September 1930, I suggested in face of the absolutely negative results, that an attempt be made to create groups of states by means of regional agreements, these states having similar interests and the arrangement tending in particular to the exchange of commodities; these groups might form the beginning of Pan-Europe. I further declared: If the other 27 states have time to wait for the development of Pan-Europa, we in Central Europe, and we Austrians in particular, have not got time to wait, because economic distress in these destroyed and dismembered economic territories is far greater than elsewhere, so that we must insist on immediate assistance. On January 15 I again was present at the Pan-European conference at Geneva and spent two days there—but not the slightest positive result could be reached.

Curtius Consulted.

When the German Foreign Minister Dr. Curtius came to Vienna we consulted on all the aspects of the situation. We reached the decision that we would undertake a practical attempt and declare our readiness to conclude a German-Austrian Customs Union, that is, to negotiate on the matter to invite third States to participate and, the occasion thus arising inform the States that might be interested, that we were ready to start negotiations. We thought of availing ourselves of the next Pan-Europe Commission in order to submit this proposal. On this point we separated. I declare: the firm intention of two Foreign Ministers to bring about an improvement of economic conditions in Central Europe and thereby in the whole of Europe by stating our readiness to start negotiations on a customs union and to invite third States to participate—that is all we have done and nothing else. The date envisaged by us, and before which we wanted once more to speak of the matter, suddenly was cancelled because the German Government remembered that on March 24 the preparatory committee for the next Pan-European Conference would meet in Paris. The German government thought it was necessary to notify the states that are interested in the matter of our resolution already before this date.

No Surprise Intended.

Perhaps, in view of the fact that no agreement existed and that we only agreed on some fundamental outlines, this notification was superfluous, nor do I know whether two other States in Europa feel obliged to notify the whole of the continent regarding what they have discussed together. The two States have only done so in order that an impression of surprise should not be created and that no one should reproach us. I think that this correct or rather excessively correct attitude of notifying even before anything has actually happened, or been agreed upon, could at the utmost earn us the reproach of exaggerated loyalty, but not the reproach that we disturb the peace of Europe. I insist on the date on which the German Government approved of the decision reached by the two foreign ministers. It was March 18 and the Austrian Government approved on March 19. On the 20th of March I notified the Austrian National Council through the proper Head committee and on March 21 the notification was sent out to the majority of states.

Treaty With Germany?

We tried last year to conclude a trade treaty with Germany. It hardly improved the situation and could not do so, as long as the most favoured treatment clause forbade Germany to favour Austria in any way, Preference duties have not yet been approved of. But they will have to be approved of, because a way out of the difficulties, established by the most favoured treatment clause, must be found, unless we are all to be ruined. Finally we thought and still believe that a customs union might be a way out of the difficulty. That is why we reached this result. We must, if the Succession States who have founded an artificial industry, exclude our products by prohibitive duties, and do nothing to help us, find some breathing space. Though our geographical situation is so favourable, in the heart of Europe, we are surrounded by customs barriers on all sides, customs barriers which separate us from our former markets.

Nevertheless we have not limited ourselves to Germany; we are negotiating a trade treaty with Hungary which is to be established on a regional basis and on new ideas and we hope that after Easter these negotiations will come to a satisfactory conclusion. We intend doing the same thing with Yugoslavia. On the other hand, Germany is conducting negotiations just now, here in Vienna, with Roumania. Ample proof that we are seeking Central Europe and Europe, and not only a customs union between Germany and Austria, I think that we have only done our duty towards our two states and our population, but also towards the whole of Europe. Nothing was further from our intentions than the disturbance of the peace of Europe.

MERCANTILE BANK.

Another Indian exchange bank, the Mercantile Bank of India, is maintaining its dividend, the directors announcing a distribution for 1930 at the customary rate of 16 per cent., says The Times. Net earnings for 1930 declined by 17 per cent., but their total, £213,340, was still sufficient to provide for a further appropriation of £20,000 to the reserve, raising it to £1,500,000. While the total of the balance-sheet, £17,643,624, is only slightly less than a year ago, movements in the individual items reflect the falling off in Indian and Far Eastern trade.

Thus loans and advances at £5,449,422, compare with £6,720,420, and bills receivable have declined from £2,927,590 to £2,516,854. Investments, on the other hand are £966,000 larger at £5,720,000, and cash has risen from £2,152,000 to £2,667,000. With their long experience of Eastern trade the decision of the boards of these two important banks to maintain their dividends is indicative of confidence in trade recovery and an ultimate return to more normal conditions.

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And Notice is further hereby given that the Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 9th to the 16th day of May, 1931, both days inclusive.

Hong Kong, 30th April, 1931.
LIANG CHI-HAO,
Managing Director.

THE CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
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Hong Kong, 28th April, 1931.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 11th MAY to 29th MAY, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1931.

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By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
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Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1931.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 11th MAY to 29th MAY, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
PAUL LAUDER,
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Hong Kong, 2nd May, 1931.

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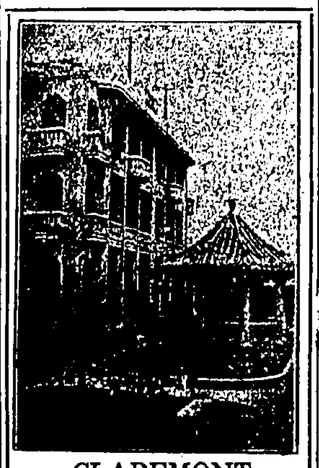
Hong Kong, 4th May, 1931.



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Hong Kong, April 29, 1931.

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Through the bazaars, in brazen sunlight and shadow, moves a motley crowd. Aghas from Northern Kurdistan, renegade chiefs from the Persian border, wild-looking Bakhtiari "mullahs"—here they come, each followed by a retinue of scallywags who shoot on sight and plunder afterwards.

You can judge the popularity of each by the buzz of chatter that rises, for they are come to a conference that may lead to peace—or war.

Death—and Decorum.

Up on the hillside a squadron of mountain ponies is picketed, each in charge of a bandoliered ruffian with fierce moustachios, bristling with arms.

Beyond, the "palace" hums like a beehive. Retainers run here and there, and woe betide a lesser chieftain who claims priority of right. For blood flows easily in Kurdistan.

Yet in the Conference Chamber all is decorum. On long rows of silken cushions sit the delegates, sipping scalding tea from tiny cups.

The Political Officer enters, leaving his slender retinue of three outside. He is greeted with reserve. Hands stray to beards, sly looks are exchanged, instinctively the Conference is united against this interloper of a foreign power.

A Feast for Warriors.

Then, at a signal, Muhammad Agha rises and leads the way to the banqueting chamber. For a moment you sit appalled at the sight. In front of you lies a gigantic "chupatti," a disc of unleavened bread which is plate, soupspoon and napkin in one. Beyond is a forest of dishes—roasted fowls buried in parti-coloured rice and stuffed with tamarind, almonds and tomatoes, bowls of sweet "halebi," dishes of roasted "kababs," and in the centre two noble sheep roasted whole!

For a space the conference is forgotten. The rose-water bowl passes round, hands are washed and plunged into steaming mounds of rice.

With a skilful thumb Muhammad Agha himself rips the breast from a tender chicken and lays the result on your "chupatti." "Shia" Agha and "Sunni" Mullah—than whom there are no more inveterate foes—make a concerted attack on broiled partridge and cucumber.

Finally the rose-water passes again. The main business of the Conference has been dispatched, not in Mansion House style, but none the less satisfactorily. Turtle soup may be well enough for Aldermen and statesmen, but give the Kurd his mutton stew.

Then, once more in the Council Chamber, the incense of good tobacco rises. There is a muted hum of chatter from well-lined men. The Political Officer slides along his silken mattress, catches the eye of Muhammad Agha and touches on the harvest crop. No light matter this, for upon its adequacy may depend many lives: well fed men are not easily roused to war.

When Rascals Joke.

"Bismillah!" mutters one Chieftain, as a 20 years' enemy subsides beside him. "In the name of God! How many men didst lose on the raid against the Safarwand?"

Having already made an alliance with the Hamawand in conjunction with the Pizhder, he can afford to be as rude as he likes. And besides, it is already a standing joke that this particular chieftain hesitates to lead his own forays.

Presently the Conference of the Hillmen breaks up, sometimes peacefully, sometimes with a knifing or a pistol affray. The bazaars receive the delegates into their dark maw. Ineffectual lights glimmer here and there as the Aghas seek their temporary lodging, giving a tempting mark for the assassin's bullet.

The Political Officer, too, seeks his tent, wondering what the outcome of it at all will be. He has been told this, has heard whispers of that, and has come to quite a different conclusion.

He yawns and blows out the light. After all, the future is in the hand of Kurdistan—always an uncertain affair.

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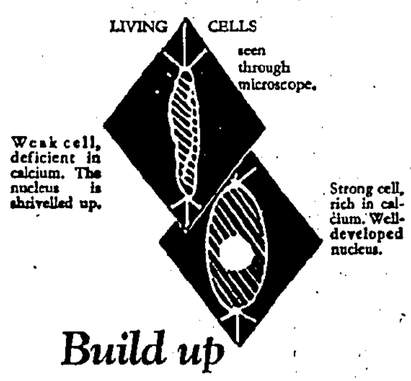

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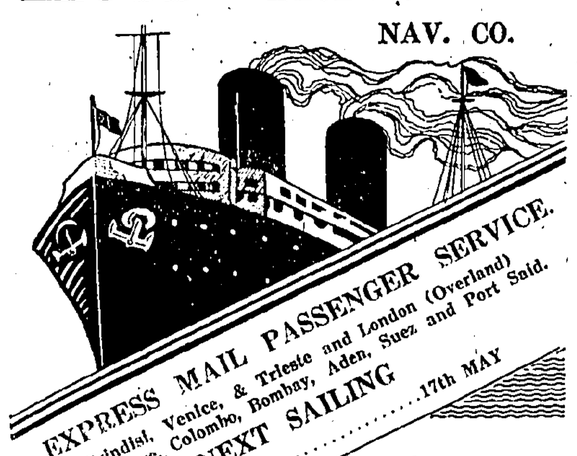

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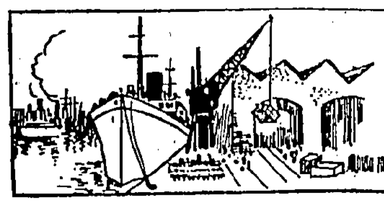

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WHEN SAILS CAME TO LONDON.

Fighting Frigates of Blackwall.

GUNPOWDER AND RUM.

In this, the third of the short series of articles which he is writing specially for the Evening News, Mr. Boyd Cable, whose sens-stories everybody knows, carries his graphic account of London's sailing-ships and the men who worked and fought in them to the thrilling days of the famous Blackwall frigates, the fore-runners of the cruiser of today.

Through all the centuries when the London River shipwrights were turning out their fleets of Indiamen and great merchant vessels, they were also building the finest of warships for the Royal Navy. The name of the Blackwall Yard is most firmly wrought into our maritime history in the fame of the Blackwall Frigates, a class of vessel curiously mixed in its use for peace and war, but making a very deep dent in both.

During the constant wars with French, Spanish, and Dutch, from before 1600 up to 1815, the frigate evolved into a ship less hugely massive and heavy than the "first rate" line-of-battle shops, but yet stout enough to give and take its share of hard knocks, and so designed and rigged as to be handier and faster.

In Nelson's days, the frigate was in chief use as a scout or cruiser. "Frigate actions" were fierce and frequent between our and enemy frigates, but how comparatively helpless they were against "first rates" was very clearly instanced at the Battle of the Nile.

There the French fleet lay moored in line of battle with four frigates anchored inside their line. When the British battle-ships attacked the French, one of their frigates, the Serieuse, had the temerity to fire on the Orion, one of our big "first rates." The Orion, annoyed no doubt by such an impertinence, lobsed off a single, full strength, roaring broadside, and sailed on into the main battle with her equals. The Serieuse caught the full blast of that iron tempest, heeled from it, with her masts snapping and crashing overboard, and sank, swiftly and straightway, at her anchors.

Many of the ships Blackwall was building for the East India Company were of frigate type, and in the latter part of the 1700's some of these ships took turn and turn at peaceful voyaging and hard fighting. The frigates at the time were officered and manned by some of the finest seamen and by as magnificent fighting material as ever trod a deck.

It must be remembered that in ships of the Navy at this time the service was cruelly hard, the discipline over-stepped all bounds of reason, and the punishments all limits of humanity; while food, pay, and living conditions alke were deplorable.

In the merchant frigates, on the other hand while discipline was stern enough, pay, food, and conditions of life were excellent, and the fact that a bit of stiff fighting was always on the horizon increased rather than lessened the attraction for the iron-nerved, iron-muscled hard fighting seamen of the day.

These were the men who stirred double handsful of gunpowder into their buckets of rum before serving it round; who made it a point of pride to stand triced up by the thumbs to the rattlins and take their dozens of cat-o'-nine-tail lashes without flinching or wincing; who lay and cracked rough jests while the surgeon sliced and sawed off a mangled limb without any easement of such a then unknown thing as an anaesthetic.

The fighting qualities of ships and men stood the owners in good stead in saving them the loss of many a fine ship and rich cargo, and founded the fortunes of owners and officers aplenty in the prize money awarded for enemy ships taken. Jack was always content enough if his fortune foundation ran to a pocketful of golden guineas, and two or three riotous days in the grogshops ashore before shipping out again.

In 1795 a single Blackwall frigate, having completely outsailed her three companions in a long, stern chase after seven Dutch East Indiamen, caught them up, brought them to action, and pounded them into submission, capturing the whole seven without the help of a single gun or cutlass from her laggard consorts.

After the French wars finished, the days of John Company drew to a close, and with the abolition of their monopoly in the China and India trade, the Blackwall Frigates rose to a zenith of fame as the successors of all the best traditions of the old Company, added to a new reputation for comparatively fast, as well as comfortable, passages.

The Blackwallers were run with all the strict discipline and formalities of the old John Company. The officers held rigorously to their swagger uniforms, only coming on deck, even in the airless roasting heat of the Doldrums, in tight tail-coat and chinhigh stock or neck-cloth.

The midshipmen (a station so low as apprentice being disdained) had to be no less punctilious in wearing, at sea and ashore, their full "brass-bound" uniform and badged cap of their Line. Officer or man must first formally salute before speaking to a superior, and any in the watch on duty might only speak to the one higher up when spoken to.

The captain was supreme on board, and held, literally, the power of life and death—of putting even passengers in irons if he thought fit. He could still earn up to £5,000 a year, and although Midshipmen (or their parents) had to pay £60 a voyage premium, as well as extra messing and shore-spending money, the probability of their promotion drew to the frigates the sons of the same social class as sent their first-born into the Navy or Army.

The Blackwallers continued to make comfortable and safe, rather than fast, passages; yet their design and rig had so improved that it seems certain they could, and they would, have put up some records that would have made the later race of clipper ships stretch themselves to better them by much. The Kent, for example, one of the finest ships the Blackwall yards turned out, actually beat the famous clipper ship Marco Polo by one day in a run home from Australia, and several Blackwallers logged successive days' runs that would not have shamed the Cutty Sark herself.

Manning the Guns.

Another tradition took years to kill — that the Blackwall frigates were fighting as well as trading ships. As late as 1858—a long generation after a profound peace had settled in Europe—the frigates had a "Stations List" detailing the exact positions officers and men should occupy on the "pipe to action." At the Long Gun the Bo'sun was to stand behind the breech; before him one A.B. to prick the vent and one to touch the match; an O.S. on either side with handspikes; A.B.s with sponge and rammer by the muzzle, and, One Boy beside them to "serve cartridge."

CUT ATLANTIC CABLE.

Theory Of A "Deliberate Break."

It was revealed in London recently that an Atlantic telegraph cable was deliberately cut through with a saw in the Bristol Channel on March 1, and a reward of £100 is offered for information regarding the outrage.

The cable, which belongs to the Commercial Cable Company, and runs from Weston-super-Mare to New York via Valentia (Ireland), suddenly ceased to function at 11.50 a.m. on March 1.

The cable company's repair ship Marie Louise Mackay was sent from Plymouth, and when the cable was raised it was discovered that it had been sawn through.

An official of the company said that it was considered that a vessel must have dragged up the cable with her anchor, and a saw used to cut it through.

"The place where the cable was cut was thirteen miles from Weston-super-Mare," he added.

"The depth of water at that point is about forty fathoms, with a sandy bottom. There were no rocks which could have caused the break by chafing. The line is a twin core cable, originally laid in 1885.

"I have no doubt that the cable was cut intentionally, and our experts have examined the cut at our office in London.

"A clause in the Submarine Telegraph Act provides for penalties if a cable is cut by the master of a ship who has fouled it, unless the safety of his ship is imperilled.

"There is no excuse for fishermen cutting a cable when their trawl brings it up. We always compensate fishermen for the loss of their trawl and catch if they report the matter to us.

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SHIP SINKS IN A FEW SECONDS.

All Except Two Swept Overboard.

Ten men were lost in the wreck off the Isle of Man recently of the Glasgow steamer Citrine (582 tons).

The steamer struck Bradda Head, at Port Erin, a bold headland of jagged rocks well known to holiday-makers.

She had a crew of 11 and one passenger, the son of the cook.

The Citrine left Belfast at 6 p.m. on Monday, but anchored later because of bad weather.

She was proceeding to get sight of the Chickens' Fock lighthouse when she struck the rocks in a thick haze.

She immediately began to make water. The crew attempted to launch the lifeboat, but, before they could do so they were washed into the sea.

Hugh Morrison, of York Street Lane, Ayr, swam and landed on the rocks. He was joined by Leopold Warren, aged 17, of North Portland, Townhead, Glasgow, who was the passenger.

The captain of the vessel was John Crawford, of Glasgow, from which district most of the crew came with the exception of the first mate, Paul Cameron, whose home was at Bournemouth.

Survivor's Story.

Leopold Warren, the cook's son, told a dramatic story. He said:

"We ran into a howling wind and were going slowly because of a thick haze. Suddenly, soon after nine o'clock, there was a crash which shook the ship. The skipper managed to get us off the rocks again, but water was pouring in through a gaping hole.

"Everyone rushed on deck, and we thought we had about five minutes to launch the small boat. In the darkness we could feel the ship sinking under us and people were shouting for help. It was devilish.

"A few seconds later the ship heaved and turned turtle. She dived and there were horrible noises. I think she must have blown up.

"All of us were scrambling in the water, shouting. It was terrible. My father has gone and so have nine other men.

"Only Morrison and I got to the rocks. I had clung to an oar and he had a lifebelt.

"The water was freezing. How we reached the rocks I shall never know. We stayed there the night, hoping to see other men come ashore, but none came.

Climb Up 300ft. Cliff.

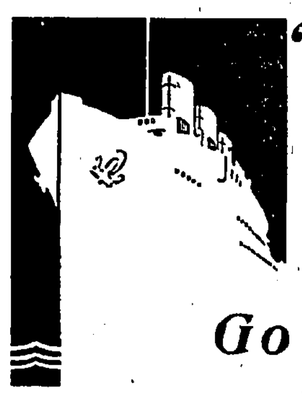
Signalman J. E. Crebbin, of the lifeboat station, said the two survivors reached the station in an exhausted state.

"That was the first we knew of the wreck," he said, "and we at once manned the lifeboat and sent it out. How Warren and Morrison got ashore and up the 300ft. cliff is little less than a miracle. There is a sheer drop at that spot. It is a death-trap, and there are no coastguards for 15 miles."

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following British warships were in harbour to-day:—
Bruce—North wall.
Hermes—West wall.
Odin—East wall.
Otus—East wall.
Pandora—In Taikoo dock.
Proteus—In Taikoo dock.
Sandwich—South wall.
Sirdar—North wall.
Somme—In dock.
Sterling—No. 12 buoy.
Tamar—Basin.
Tarantula—In dock.
Thracian—No. 13 buoy.

Foreign Man-of-War.
Argus—French gunboat.



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Empress of Asia	June 5	June 8	June 11	June 13	—	June 22
Empress of Canada	June 20	June 23	June 25	June 27	July 3	July 8
Empress of Russia	July 3	July 6	July 9	July 11	—	July 20
Empress of Japan	July 18	July 21	July 23	July 25	July 31	Aug. 5
Empress of Asia	July 31	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 8	—	Aug. 17
Empress of Canada	Aug. 15	Aug. 18	Aug. 20	Aug. 22	—	Aug. 30
Empress of Russia	Aug. 28	Aug. 31	Sept. 3	Sept. 5	—	Sept. 14
Empress of Japan	Sept. 12	Sept. 15	Sept. 17	Sept. 19	—	Sept. 27
Empress of Asia	Sept. 25	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Oct. 3	—	Oct. 12
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WEDNESDAY, MAY 6.		
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†KARMALA	9,128	29th Aug.	Marseilles & London.
CATHAY	15,121	12th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
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		1931.	
TILAWA	10,006	8th May Daylight	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHMIR	8,985	8th May Noon	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TANDA	6,956	8th May	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
RANPURA	16,601	22nd May	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	7,754	25th May	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
TALMA	10,000	4th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KASHGAR	9,005	5th June	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
ST. ALBANS	4,500	5th June	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
*PERIM	7,648	10th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
TAKADA	6,949	18th June	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
RAWALPINDI	16,619	19th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
*SOMALI	—	27th June	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SIRDHANA	7,745	2nd July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KHYBER	9,114	3rd July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
NELLORE	6,853	6th July	S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Osaka & Y'hama.
TILAWA	10,006	16th July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
RAJPUTANA	16,586	17th July	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.
SANTHIA	7,754	30th July	Amoy, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
KARMALA	9,128	31st July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
*NANKIN	7,058	1st Aug.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama.

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They dashed to the windows and hundreds of others lined the dock bridge outside, while seamen in the boats in the dock rushed up from below.

An astonishing sight startled their half-opened eyes for down the side of a "sinking" liner four lifeboats laden with men and women were making for the water. On the deck of the giant vessel gold-braided officers were shouting at the tops of their voices.

Three of the boats safely reached the water a hundred feet below, but the fourth capsized, and its forty passengers and crew were shot into the dark, cold, murky water of the "ocean." Panic reigned all around; men were struggling and swimming in the water, two were "knocked out," and one man had his face streaming with "blood."

Rescue boats raced to the scene, and all the passengers were safely picked up and taken to the quay-side, where an ambulance and doctor waited to attend the injured.

Scenes of Revelry.

Giant cameras on the liner and on barges in the river clicked away throughout the "scene," for, although it was all most realistic, it was just part of the taking of a new film, the story of which is an adaptation of a play by Ian Hay.

The 15,000-ton liner Alaunia had been taken over by a film company for the "shooting" of the piece. There were more than 300 "stars" and artists on board, and they were assisted by the ship's officers and crew.

Scenes of revelry and dancing were in progress on board when the ship was involved in a collision during a heavy fog, and panic reigned as men and women in evening dress raced for the lifeboats.

Thirty shillings was the price paid for a soaking in the early morning, cold water of the docks "ocean," and the artistes seemed quite pleased to do it for that.

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May 5 to 11, 1931.

Date	High Water		Low Water	
	Standard Times	Ht.	Standard Times	Ht.
	H. M.	F.	H. M.	F.
Tues. 5	07 07	6·6	04 10	3·0
	19 45	7·2	18 09	0·5
Wed. 6	01 19	6·1	04 34	3·3
	11 25	7·1	19 02	0·7
Thurs. 7	02 23	5·9	04 4-	3·7
	12 04	7·0	2- 15	1·0
Fri. 8	—	—	—	—
	14 44	6·6	21 21	1·
Sat. 9	—	—	—	—
	13 .6	6·2	21 21	1·4
Sun. 10	—	—	—	—
	14 19	5·8	23 19	1·6
Mon. 11	07 4-	4·5	1- 3-	4·3
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Menestheus, British str., 4,818 tons, Captain Dodd, from Manila, Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

Moncalieri, Italian str., 3,240 tons, Captain Hanjani Ino, from Trieste via Singapore, Kowloon Wharf.—Dodwell & Co.

Shanko Maru, Japanese str., 6,776 tons, Captain H. Egusa, from Japan, Kowloon Wharf.—O.S.K.

Solna, Norwegian str., 3,447 tons, Capt. H. O. Gunnestad, from Shanghai, North Point Wharf.—A.P.C.

Sungchan Maru, Japanese str., 1,503 tons, Capt. T. Honjo, from Canton, buoy No. B16.—N.Y.K.

Tjileboet, Dutch str., 3,635 tons, Capt. J. Schol, from Amoy, buoy No. A4.—J.C.J.L.

Monday, May 4.

Amagisan Maru, Japanese str., 2,303 tons, Capt. A. Saitoh, from Miike, buoy No. B23.—M.B.K.

Chung Hwah, Chinese str., 3,871 tons, Capt. S. Nakano, from Swatow, buoy No. A5.—Shun Tai Hong.

Haldis, British str., 1,144 tons, Captain W. Lee, from Saigon, buoy No. C4.—Wo Fat Sing.

Hervar, Norwegian str., 761 tons, Capt. J. Sorlie, from Bangkok, buoy No. C6.—Thoresen & Co.

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Koyasan Maru, Japanese str., 1,135 tons, Capt. S. Matsusaki, from Canton, Yaumati Anchorage.—M.B.K.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 5th May, 1931, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas.

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All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 20th instant, or they will not be recognised.

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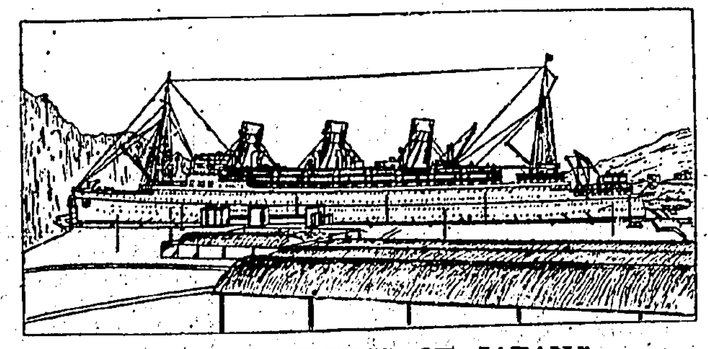

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Legislative Council.

Evidently Unofficial representation on the Legislative Council is not too greatly prized by the couple of public bodies entrusted with the precious right of nominating eligible gentlemen to His Excellency the Governor.

The members of the General Chamber of Commerce met yesterday to fill the vacancy created by the resignation, before going Home, of Mr. Owen Hughes. That vacancy has been filled—subject to the Governor's confirmation and acceptance—of a gentleman who is already an Unofficial member of the Legislative Council. So that, theoretically — and indeed actually—there is still a vacancy. There is one short of the usual complement of Unofficial members, and that shortage will exist until the return to the Colony in the Autumn of Sir Henry Pollock, for whom the Hon. Mr. C. G. Mackie has been acting as the nominee of the Justices of the Peace.

Mr. Mackie is doubtless well qualified to act as steward of the interests both of the Justices of the Peace and the General Chamber of Commerce. The rare honour paid him yesterday is ample proof of that. But — what if a serious crisis arises in the Colony demanding the fullest possible Unofficial representation at meetings of the Legislative Council? These things cannot be foretold, but there must ever be preparedness for them. Is there not one other member on the roll of the General Chamber of Commerce "fit and proper" to be nominated as an Unofficial member "until the Autumn?"

We shall doubtless be told that that does not matter as in any case the Government has always its official majority to fall back upon in the case of a difference arising between the administration and the Unofficial members. We shall also be told that the arrangement arrived at by the General Chamber of Commerce yesterday is one simply of convenience for all the interests concerned. "The dog days of Summer" are upon us and nobody is expected to have any energy to strike up a new tune in the arena of local controversial topics.

Evasive arguments of that kind do not appeal to us. We expect business to be conducted in a more businesslike fashion from a public body of business men. They represent, we do not forget, only those who are members of the General Chamber of Commerce, but virtually they are in a position to speak for the united commercial and mercantile interests of the Colony. Their position in this respect is recognised and unassailable, and for that reason it is not fitting that they should ask a gentleman who already is an Unofficial member of the Council—no matter how admirably qualified he may be—to act in a dual capacity even for that short period vaguely described as "until the Autumn." Unfortunately those outside the charmed circles of the General Chamber of Commerce and the Justices of the Peace can do nothing beyond merely voicing their opinion; and that, again, is doomed to fall on deaf ears.

The precedent, however, is not a very happy one. On the single score of convenience it may suit the General Chamber of Commerce, but there is not another thing to be said in its favour. The community is being robbed of one Unofficial vote in the Legislative Council "until the Autumn," before which anything may happen!

News in Brief.

The lowest open air temperature yesterday was 71 degrees. The humidity at 10 a.m. was 89 and at 4 p.m. 85.

A notice to mariners posted at the Harbour Office states that the Cheung Chau light is reported to be not burning.

Suffering from a stab wound under the left arm pit and a lacerated nose, Wong Hing (25), a tailor, of No. 1, Elgin Street, was removed to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday. The wounds are alleged to have been inflicted by an apprentice tailor, but are not considered to be serious.

Leung Kau, a returned banishee, who received a life banishment on September 2, 1920, was discovered on board a junk in the harbour yesterday, and produced at the Kowloon Police Court this morning, when a year's hard labour was imposed.

Mr. Peter H. Sin, a Chinese solicitor, of the firm of Sin and Barnett, Shaftesbury Avenue, left London for Hong Kong by the Fushimi Maru on April 24. He will break his journey at Singapore to visit friends in Malaya.

The disappearance of a girl, Leung Mo-tsing, aged 17 years, from 40A Bonham Road at 7 o'clock yesterday morning, was reported to the Police by her mother, Yu Kwai Hing, who stated that the girl left behind two letters saying that she intended to end her life.

The *China Mail* understands that Mr. J. H. Taggart, Managing Director of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels, Ltd., who is at present convalescing in a nursing home, following an operation for appendicitis, is still in a very weak condition and will not be able to receive visitors for several days.

The new Sub-Manager at the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon, Mr. A. G. Piovanelli, is expecting the arrival of his wife from Europe in the near future. Mr. Piovanelli, whose father was formerly a Director of the Savoy and other famous London hotels, has held managerial and other posts in some of the principal hotels in Europe.

Three weeks' imprisonment was imposed on Mok Chuen at the Kowloon Police Court this morning for the larceny of a cotton quilt and a blanket, the property of Sau Ki, of Lo Lung Hang, Hunghom. The accused was a subtenant at the complainant's house, and while the latter was absent accused took the things to Yaumati to pawn.

Leung Yuk, a Chinese, was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning sent to jail for 14 days, with the option of a $10 fine, for stealing a cotton singlet from the Kin Shan Knitting Factory in Portland Street. It was alleged that his wife stole the singlet, and that when the husband tried to pawn it, he was arrested and therefore had to take the onus of his wife's misdeed.

A fatal scuffle which caused the death of a Chinese boy on April 27, was described to the Coroner (Mr. E. H. Williams), at an inquest yesterday on Foo Siu-wing (19), employed as a foki at a stall on the recreation ground opposite the Man Mo Temple at Hollywood Road. Li Fo-sang (19), was held on a manslaughter charge. The jury returned a verdict of death due to natural causes, and Li Fo-sang was released.

For snatching a packet of tea from a compradore delivery boy's basket in Kowloon on Sunday, Heung Fat, a Chinese youth, was ordered to receive 12 strokes at the Kowloon Police Court this morning. It was stated that while the delivery boy was taking a parcel of goods to a flat in Humphrey's Buildings, he left his basket near the door and accused snatched the tea and bolted. When he was caught, several pawntickets were found in his possession, one of which was for a pair of shoes which belonged to the complainant.

IMPERIAL TRADE.

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ECONOMIC FACTS.

London, Yesterday.

The Secretary for Dominion Affairs, Mr. J. H. Thomas, in a speech at Derby, referring to the approaching Imperial Economic Conference at Ottawa, said the British Government representatives would go to Ottawa not to make any bargain, but with a desire to co-operate with the Dominions, to recognise economic facts, and to make a genuine gesture to help them in their difficulties; to which he believed they would respond.

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OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE.

Nanking, April 27.

The National Government has issued the following communique:—

"With the departure of Sir Arthur Salter and Monsieur Maurice Frere from Nanking on April 27, the work of the League of Nations Mission, sent at the request of the National Government, terminates. The Directors from the three technical organisations of the League, namely, Dr. L. Rajchman, Director of the Health Section; Mr. Robert Haas, Director of the Transit Section; and Sir Arthur Salter, Director of the Economic and Financial Section, each accompanied by other members of the Secretariat, successively arrived in China between December and March.

Regular Collaboration.

"After joint conversations between these officers of the League and the Members of the Government, the Government has made a proposal to the League of Nations for regular collaboration, based on the principle that the technical organisations of the League shall be continuously available to advise the Government and the new National Economic Council, which has just been created, in connection with the plans of national reconstruction.

Health.

"Dr. Rajchman had already made an earlier visit to China in the previous Winter, when he took back to Geneva a plan of collaboration proposed by the Ministry of Health, including arrangements for technical advice by experts from the League in regard to quarantine, a new Central Field Health Station in Nanking, medical education, and cholera control in Shanghai, and the training of Chinese health officers by means of travelling fellowships in Europe and America provided by the League.

"This plan was duly approved by the Health Committee and the Council of the League, and was put into effect in May of last year, so that practical collaboration between the National Government and the League in health matters was already an accomplished fact when Dr. Rajchman came again last December. During this visit, it has been arranged, after conversations between him and new National Health Administration, that the plan will be extended to cover additional activities.

Transit.

"As a result of the conversations with Mr. Haas, the Government has requested the assistance of the Transit Organisation of the League in connection with the final establishment of the scheme for the improvement of the Hwai River, and has also asked that experts of this organisation should make a preliminary enquiry into the problems under consideration by the North China River Commission, and, in addition, be available for consultation on the technical aspects of the proposal relating to harbour development in the area of Greater Shanghai.

"The Transit Organisation has also been invited to help in the creation of a technical civil engineering field station, to be established at the National Capital, of which the main objects are to facilitate the training of civil engineers, to help in the preparation and supervision of future enquiries and surveys, concerning in particular road building and river conservancy work, and to form the nucleus of a national service of civil engineers.

Economics.

"Sir Arthur Salter has been asked by the Government to discuss questions relating to the effect on China's economic activities of the present world depression; and a series of informal and personal conversations have taken place on a number of practical problems which now present themselves in the sphere of financial and economic policy. A procedure has also been arranged which is designed to secure that the League's Economic and Financial Organisation shall be continuously available to advise the Government and the National Economic Council, who will ask the assistance of the several committees associated with the Organisation, in advising, or collaborating in the framing of schemes, on particular problems as they arise within the sphere of financial and economic policy.

Adviser.

"The Government hopes that during the first stages of its reconstruction work it may be possible for the League to arrange for an adviser to come to China, who will assist the Government to decide the exact method by which, in regard to each problem within the sphere of any of the technical organisations, and among them the Economic and Financial Organisation of the League, advice and assistance might best be obtained; and on its side, the Government is appointing an official to act as correspondent to the Economic and Financial Section of the League in order to secure a regular exchange of all requisite information.

"The Government trusts that these arrangements and proposals will result in a close, constant and fruitful collaboration between the National Government and its National Economic Council on the one hand, and the League of Nations on the other."—Kuo Min.

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STRANGE RED INDIAN TRIBE.

Belief That the Pelican Created World.

FORGOTTEN REMNANTS.

A strange tribe of Red Indians, who believed that the pelican created the world, who worship the sun and moon, who gamble habitually, auction off their marriageable girls, and destroy their weak and deformed offspring, has been found on Tiburon Island, 200 miles south of Arizona, in the Gulf of California.

The Indians are almost forgotten remnants of the Seris tribe who numbered 30,000 at the time of the conquest. Only 164 are alive to-day. After the revolution in 1749, in which they were involved, the Spanish Viceroy exiled them to Tiburon, three miles from the Sonora mainland, and there they have remained since, keeping others off their island.

Colonel Juan Masturzi, Italian explorer, and Mme. Titayna, a French writer, arriving at Mexico City after a perilous sojourn on the island, declared that the Seris still live as savages, do not have houses, eat much raw meat, wear only skins and in some cases loin cloths for covering.

They live outdoors in all weathers and are tanned to a deep brown, looking much as do the Patagonians of Argentina. The average height of the males is six feet. They hate white people beyond all reason.

Colonel Masturzi says that, several years ago, an expedition sent to the island captured two boys who were taken to Mermociloo and educated in the hope that when they returned to Tiburon they would begin the process of civilisation there, but when the youths returned they were promptly killed.

Daughters for Auction.

When a girl reaches maturity there is a grand celebration to advertise her readiness for marriage. Her father then accepts bids, which range from 100 to 150 pesos (between $50 and $75) depending upon the girl's beauty. The youthful males, who for the most part are pearl divers, have to work long and hard to collect that much money to pay for their brides.

There is no portable water on the island, and the tribesmen have to tap a water-giving cactus in order to drink. They have an amazing love of gambling, games on the seashore sometimes continuing for days, during which time a loser often gambles away even his wife's shoes.

The favourite game is called "Yaceougansha" and is nothing more than a form of the old shell game. Four hollow stalks are used, a bean being placed in one the idea being to pick up the three empty stalks.

Unfit Persons Eliminated.

According to the Italian there is a tribe doctor who determines which of the offspring should live, only the hale and hearty babies being allowed to survive. Both the sun and moon are worshipped and the people revere the pelican and tortoise.

The pelican's skin is dried and used for gala attire at periodical celebrations. At each new moon sea shells are filled with a native liquor and left on the beach, the fermented drink being used in an orgiac celebration.

One white man has gained their friendship, a Mr. Thompson who lives at Bahia Kina, on the Gulf of California. He escorted Masturzi and Mme. Titayna to the island and persuaded the Indians to allow them to remain eight days, during which time they traded tobacco and water in return for information. They said, however, they were constantly in fear of the natives turning against them and doing them harm.

The market news letter of the British Columbia Department of Agriculture notes the arrival of a heavy shipment of canned pineapples from the Fiji Islands, packed in boxes which came from Victoria and in tin cans and tin plate from Vancouver.

Ten Years Ago.

[From the "China Mail" of May 5, 1921.]

To-day's dollar is worth 276%.

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The Ellis Kadoorie School for Indians held its first athletic sports meeting yesterday afternoon. The meeting was well conducted and proved to be a great success. Members of the Indian community and other friends of the school were present in large numbers. As the Victoria British School is not large enough to have a sports meeting of its own, the Indian School kindly extended to it an invitation to join the meeting. Great enthusiasm prevailed throughout, and keen competition was witnessed.

NOTED PUBLICIST IN THE COLONY.

Important Business Visit to the Orient.

MR. H. F. KNAPP.

One of the best-known personalities of the British publicity world, Mr. H. F. Knapp, F.R.G.S., K.M.A., is staying in the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon, and intends to remain in the Colony until the end of the week, when he will sail for Shanghai and Japan. The object of Mr. Knapp's visit to the Far East is to gather material for his de luxe publication, "The Annual of the East," the first number of which was published last year and of which 40,000 copies have already been sold.

The "Annual" embraces Egypt, East Africa, Burma, India, Ceylon, British Malaya, the Dutch East Indies, Siam, French Indo-China, China and Japan, and is lavishly illustrated with original work in colour, in addition to hundreds of excellent photographs, the majority of which were taken personally by Mr. Knapp, who is an expert photographer. The compiler appears to have taken considerable pains to obtain the work of promising artists of the East, and one of the finest colour plates in the volume is an exquisite pastel drawing by Mr. H. C. Bevan-Petman, son of Mr. B. Bevan-Petman, the eminent barrister, who resides in Simla.

British Shipping.

Practically every phase of Oriental life, customs, manners and social and industrial development is embraced by the "Annual," whose authoritative articles, such as "British Shipping in Indian Waters," by the Earl of Inchcape, contain much information likely to be of value to those residing or those having commercial interests in the Far East.

Apart from its interest as an illustrated record of trading, however, the "Annual" is likely to prove of fascination to the general reader at Home and in European countries, for it gives glimpses of the East which should do more to encourage travel than the most astute forms of advertising propaganda.

Happy Balance.

The happy balance which the volume gives of economic matters (which are never presented in a dry manner) and descriptions of archæological or scenic interest, invests it with a distinctive hall-mark of usefulness and charm. In fact, it would no be over-rating the visit to the Orient which Mr. Knapp haspaid by recognising it as an unofficial conclusion of the work reently begun by the British Economic Mission, for, through the redium of his singularly beautiful "Annual" he has succeeded in ringing manufacturers, shippin companies, agencies, hotels personalities, and little-know cities and towns of every pat of the Eastern hemisphere, fom "London to Yokohama," bfore members of that great bt often ignorant British public who seldom have the slightest idea where Hong Kong or ingapore is, and who have ttle realisation of the scope, he opportunities and the progress made in every departme of economic life in this part of the Empire.

"Empire's Missionary."

It is in this aspect alone that Mr. Knapp's wit is of substantial value to traders and merchants and the e is everything to justify the bstowal upon him of the sobriqut, "The Empire's Trade Missionary."

The "Annual of the Far" East is publish in June every year and may obtained of the publishers, essrs. Alabaster and Passmor 64, Cannon Street, London .C.4, at three shillings. Mr. Knp was the founder and compil of "South Africa to Australia and founded and edited for 1 years "The British South Afric." He has also acted as Edit of "Rhodesian Opinion" and The Rhodesian" and is the author of "The Glorious Cape," etc.

Mr. Knapp is at present engaged in securing contributions and illustrations for his 1931 issue of the "Annual," and intends to devote a considerable section to Hong Kong, which should offer him nothing but facilities with its scenes of unrivalled beauty. Mr. Knapp is well known in advertising and journalistic circles as "The Prince of Publicity."

"What have you done to your face?"

"Been trying a new brand of soap."

"If that is the result you will say the manufacturers?"

"Don't think I can—you see, I trod on it"—

Passing Show, London.

MEETING OF CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

Legislative Council Appointment.

MR. C. G. MACKIE ELECTED.

The Hon. Mr. C. G. Mackie was nominated representative of the General Chamber of Commerce on the Legislative Council, yesterday. Mr. Mackie fills the vacancy created by the resignation of the Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes.

Mr. W. H. Bell, who took the chair yesterday, explained that Mr. Owen Hughes resigned before his recent departure for Home, on leave. The candidate elected would serve a four-year term.

Mr. T. H. R. Shaw seconded the nomination of Mr. Mackie, which was unopposed, and the resolution was unanimously carried.

The Chairman later read a minute of the General Committee, dated April 22 last, expressing appreciation of services rendered by Mr. Owen Hughes. A further vote of thanks, proposed by Mr. P. S. Cassidy, and seconded by Mr. A. L. Shields, was then carried.

NAVAL COURTESY.

BRITISH WARSHIPS TO VISIT KIEL.

FIRST SINCE 1914.

Rugby, Yesterday.

In response to an invitation from the German Government, H.M.S. Dorsetshire, flying the flag of Rear Admiral Astry-Rushton, and H.M.S. Norfolk, will pay an unofficial visit to Kiel from July 4 to July 11 next, on their return from the Summer cruise of the Second Cruiser Squadron in the Baltic.

The last British naval visit to Germany took place in June, 1914, when a squadron of four battleships cast anchor in Kiel harbour. —British Wireless Service.

'PLANE ENGINE.

WEIGHT NOW CONSIDERABLY REDUCED.

LESS FIRE DANGER.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The Daily Mail says that the well-known engineering firm of Beardmore, Limited, are experimenting in Glasgow with a new aeroplane engine of the Diesel heavy oil burning type.

It is stated that the engine, of which the weight per unit has been considerably reduced, can be built into the wings of an aeroplane, and will not only increase its efficiency and speed, but will give lower running costs and minimise the danger of fire.—British Wireless Service.

A WEEK'S DISEASES.

55 CASES OF PULMONARY TUBERCULOSIS.

The official return of disease and deaths during the week ended May 2, is as follows:—

	Cases.	Deaths.
Enteric fever	64	11
Cerebro-spinal fever .	2	1
Paratyphoid fever ...	1	—
Tuberculosis	—	55

Summary to May 2.

The returns from January 1 to May 2 give the following figures:—

	Cases.	Deaths.
Typhoid	64	11
Small-pox	13	7
Scarlet fever	2	—
Diphtheria	53	18
Cerebro-spinal fever .	7	3
Puerperal fever	4	2
Tuberculosis	—	356

Thirteen of the typhoid cases were non-Chinese, as were two scarlet fever cases, one small-pox case, and 14 diphtheria cases.

STEAMER TRAGEDY?

Just before going to press the *China Mail* picked up a persistent rumour about a case of suspected murder on board a Dutch steamer which arrived in harbour during the morning.

The affair, it was stated, occurred whilst the ship was at sea bound for Hong Kong at 1 o'clock this morning.

The victim, rumour has it, was a Chinese painter employed on board, and another Chinese member of the crew was alleged to be the assailant.

DIFFICULTIES OF EXTRALITY.

Trouble Regarding Reserved Areas.

NAVAL MOVEMENTS.

London, Yesterday.

The Foreign Office has not heard definitely from Sir Miles Lampson that the negotiations regarding extra-territoriality have definitely broken down.

At the same time it is known that a deadlock exists, one of the difficulties being as regards the reserved areas at Hankow, Canton, Shanghai and Tientsin.

Neither the Admiralty nor the Foreign Office has heard definitely that H.M.S. Vindictive has been despatched specially to Nanking.

Vindictive for Hankow.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

H.M.S. Vindictive, at present at Nanking, is leaving for Hankow with reliefs.

Naval circles state that there has been no special movement of warships on the China Station.

Nanking's Regret.

Nanking, Yesterday.

Following an extraordinary meeting of the Government this morning, a statement was issued regarding extrality, expressing warm appreciation of the sympathetic attitude of the Powers (especially Britain) towards China's aspirations, but regretting that the Powers are not prepared to meet China's wishes completely.

On the convocation of the People's Convention, the Government is reminded of its duty to abolish the unequal treaties and extrality, but under the present circumstances the Government has no alternative but to recognise and declare that the extrality negotiations with the few remaining Powers have reached an unfortunate impasse.—Reuter.

ROUND THE CINEMAS

APPEARANCE OF LAWRENCE TIBBETT.

"NEW MOON."

Lawrence Tibbett, who is co-starred with Grace Moore in "New Moon" at the Queen's Theatre, is the latest member of the "Light Valve Club," that unique little organisation of sound technicians at the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studios.

Any man who breaks a "light valve" is elected to the Club. And, strangely enough, in all his singing Tibbett had never done this until the sharp noise of a clanking sword which he wore in "New Moon" resulted in his election.

The "light valve" is a delicate apparatus inside the sound recording machine which regulates the photography of sound on film. A sudden, sharp noise, jarring the delicate apparatus by a quick vibration, sometimes breaks the microphonic wire in it and the apparatus has to be repaired, which takes a moment or so, while the company on the stage waits. So nearly perfect are these machines to-day that to break one becomes increasingly difficult. Consequently members of the Club are getting scarce.

Tibbett plays a swashbuckling Russian lieutenant in the new picture, which was adapted from the stage hit. Jack Conway directed the cast which includes Adolphe Menjou, Roland Young, Gus Shy, Emily Fitzroy, and almost a thousand extras.

"PASSION FLOWER."

Charles Bickford and Kay Johnson started together two years ago absolutely unknown to motion picture audiences in a talkie made by one brother.

To-day they are together again in a picture directed by another brother.

Which is just another way of saying that Kay Johnson and Charles Bickford, who were leads in Cecil B. De Mille's "Dynamite," again play opposite each other in "Passion Flower," William de Mille's drama of married life based on the Kathleen Norris' novel, which will open shortly at the Queen's Theatre for three days.

The eighteen months which have intervened, however, have carried these two personalities from an unknown status to a position in which they are now listed among the ten most popular screen players.

Kay Johnson has been seen to advantage in "The Ship from Shanghai," "This Mad World," "Bill the Kid," "The Spoilers," and as the central character of "Madam Satan." Charles Bickford lists among his cinema achievements the lead opposite Greta Garbo in "Anna Christie," and featured roles in "The Sea Bat" and "River's End."

RENEGADES
AT KING'S.

SHADOWS BEFORE

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN CHINA MAIL.

Social Functions.

To-day—Tea Dance at Hong Hong Hotel; Dinner Dances at Peninsula and Hong Kong Hotels.

Entertainments.

To-day — King's Theatre; "Renegades."

To-day — Queen's Theatre; "New Moon."

To-day — Central Theatre; "Ladies Love Brutes."

To-day — Majestic Theatre; "The Shannons of Broadway."

Home Mails.

To-day—Inward from Europe via Siberia (Kidderpore).

Thursday—Inward from Europe via Suez (Kashmir).

Sports.

See Sports Diary on Page 9.

Miscellaneous.

To-day — English Association Lecture, St. John's Cathedral Hall, 5.30 p.m.

Thursday—Jumble Sale, Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Thursday—Laying of foundation stone of new wing of Y.M.C.A., Kowloon 5.30 p.m.

CHINA'S POLITICS PERPLEXING.

(Continued from page 1.)

and shortly afterwards taken to Nanking. Now Mr. Hu is still under guard. Communication between Mr. Hu's residence and outside has been cut. Should Mr. Hu be guilty of anything, he should be impeached before the Central authorities. Any way, Chiang had no right to detain a high official of the National Government. Moreover, according to law, members are free to give out their views in any discussions. Now, granted that Mr. Hu did oppose the formation of the Yueh Fat (Provisional Constitution) at the forthcoming National People's Convention and did not hold the same view as Chiang, still the latter had no right to detain him, being a high official of the National Government.

"Chiang is now working for the Presidency, eliminating all veteran Kuomintang members and putting his followers in control of the country's finances, etc.

"We have been patiently looking to a change in Chiang but as this is not likely, it becomes necessary for us to take this step towards bringing his impeachment."—Canton Gazette.

PUBLIC BODIES MEET.

"Things As Usual."

Canton, Yesterday.

Subsequent to the release of the two declarations—one by the Central Supervisory Committee members and the other by the joint Provincial and Municipal Kuomintang Party—all eyes are turned on Canton but everything is as at other times here. Peace and order prevail in the city, thanks to the fine co-operative work between the local gendarmes and police. The citizens attend to their daily routine as normally.

All Government Departments, except the Provincial Government Council, are functioning as usual, says the Canton Gazette of yesterday's date.

Over 20 public bodies held a meeting on the 2nd, passing the resolution to petition General Chan Chai-tong to afford due protection to the inhabitants of Canton and to restore the redemption of Central Bank notes.

It was also resolved to wire to the Kwangtung delegates to the National People's Convention, now arrived at Shanghai, to return to Canton.

Other resolutions passed included the support of the circular telegram of Mr. Koo Ying-fen and others denouncing Chiang Kai-shek.

Official Changes.

At a joint meeting of the Kwangtung Provincial and Municipal Party headquarters it was decided to commission Mr. Kam Tsengching and Wong Kwei-luk to Hong Kong in order to approach General Chen Ming-shu to return to Canton as a leader of party comrades in this movement.

Commander Chan Hing-wan.

Accepting the resignation of Director Au Yang Kue of the Bureau of Public Safety, General Chan Chai-tong has appointed Commander Chan Hing-wan of the Fort of Bocca Tigris as Director Au-Yang's successor.

Admiral Chan Chak.

Admiral Chan Chak assumes his concurrent post of Director of the Kwangtung Peace Maintenance Corps to-day.

Finance Commissioner.

Finance Commissioner Fan Kee-mo has been ill for several days and has submitted his application for resignation, which however, up to the present has not been accepted. Should Mr. Fan insist on resigning, according to a report, Mr. Chow Ching-chun or Mr. Chan Ying lin would likely be his successor.

Mr. Teng Chak-yu.

Mr. Teng Chak-yu, member of the Central Supervisory Committee, who arrived from Hong Kong at Canton on May 2, is now living at Mr. Koo Ying-fen's residence, and refuses to accept any interview.

Troop Movements.

In compliance with the instruction of the 8th Route Army Headquarters, General Yu Hon-mou and General Wong Yam-wan have commenced to move the 50th Division and 6th Independent Brigade from Kweiping to Wuchow, leaving the Upper West River defence to General Chu Wei-chun of the 1st newly organised division.

Communications.

General Chan Chai-tong has appointed Mr. Feng Chao as Acting Director of the Kwangtung Telegraph Administration and Mr. Chung Ting-tao as Acting Director of the Kwangtung Radio Station succeeding Messrs. Tang Man-kai and Tsao Wu-yi who have resigned.

The Tung Shui Bureau.

The Tung Shui Bureau of Kwang-tung, Kwangsi and Fukien has notified the public that in accordance with the instructions of General Chan Chai-tong, taxes are to be levied in silver coins by the Bureau.

Generals To Assemble At Canton.

To meet present conditions, General Chan Chai-tong has telegraphically summoned the different Generals at the front back to Canton. General Chan Chang-poa, Acting Chief of the Wuchow Provisional Headquarters, General Yang Ting-chung of the 16th Division and General Wong Yam-wan of the 6th Independent Brigade were reported to be leaving Wuchow yesterday for Canton.

SILK EXPORTS.

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Silk forwarded from Hong Kong by the s.s. Empress of Asia on April 10 arrived in New York (St. John's Park) and Hoboken on May 1, having been 21 days in transit.

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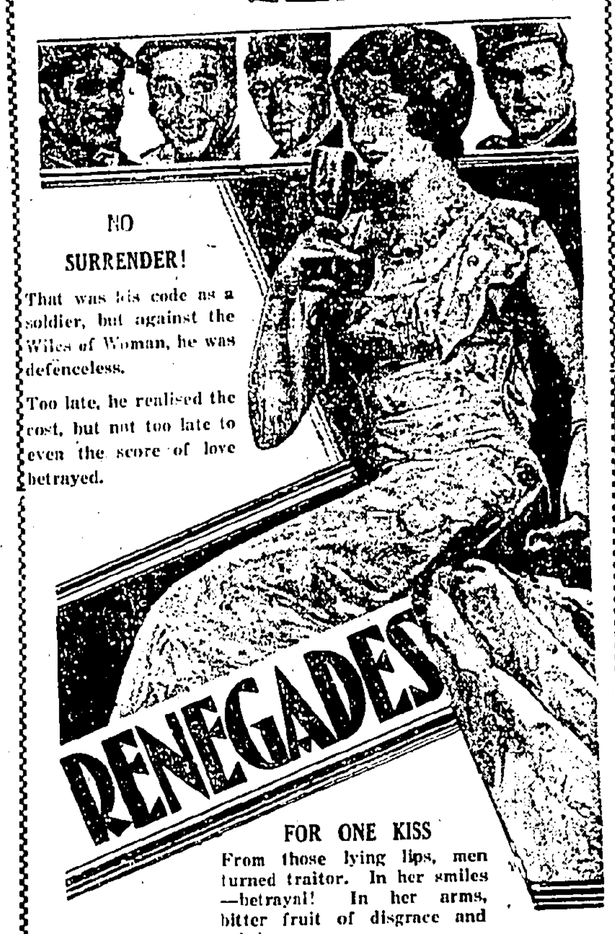

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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

MAORI WOMAN AGAIN IN LIMELIGHT.

Breaks Own Swimming Endurance Record.

72 HRS. 21 MINS.

Brisbane, Yesterday.

Mrs. Katarina Nehua, the Maori woman, whose swimming achievements have enabled her to support her family, beat the world's endurance swimming record here to-day by remaining in the water for 72 hours and 21 minutes which is twelve minutes longer than her own record made on March 22.—Reuter.

CRICKET NEWS FROM EGYPT.

Martineau's XI in a Good Position.

AGAINST ALL-EGYPT.

Cairo, April 11.

H. M. Martineau's XI. were in a strong position at the close of play yesterday in their match with All-Egypt here, who were 399 runs behind. The Egyptian side carried their overnight score of 113 for nine to 133, and were thus 62 behind on the first innings.

Nevinson and Lord Dalmeny were the most successful bowlers, taking four for 63 and three for 17 respectively.

Martineau's side scored 347 for their second innings, H. W. Franklin, who was bowled for none in the first innings, making the highest score of 79 and Colonel S. B. Williams 71.—Reuter.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS ATHLETICS.

Big Entry for the Challenge Cup.

PROMINENT RUNNERS.

The entries for the London Athletic Club's Public School Challenge Cup meeting to be held shortly are well up to the standard of previous years. Among the schools which will send teams are Bedford, Lancing, Bradfield, Winchester, Aldenham, Fettes, Bishop's Stortford Whitgift, Merchiston Castle, Mercant Taylors, Haileybury, Dover, Hereford Cathedral, Sutton Valence, Oundle, Canford, Highgate, Stowe, Harrow, Malvern, Warwick Imperial Services' College, Giggleswick, Westminster, Charterhouse, Beaumont, and Taunton.

Prominent among the runners are C. W. Denemport, of Denstone, who was second in the 100 yards last year; J. N. Crisfield, of Merchant Taylors, and S. C. Wooderson, of Sutton Valence, second and third in the mile.

PLAYER INJURED.

COMPENSATION QUESTION FOR MARSDEN.

Meeting in Sheffield, a commission of the Football Association, consisting of Sir Charles Clegg, Sir Frederick Wall, and Messrs. J. McKenna, C. E. Sutcliffe, and A. Kingscott, gave preliminary consideration to the question of compensation to W. Marsden, the Sheffield Wednesday half-back, who was so seriously injured when representing England in Berlin last May. After a sitting lasting an hour it was announced that no statement could be issued.

Marsden appeared before the commission with representatives of the Sheffield Wednesday club in Messrs. G. Turner, W. Fearnough, and R. Brown, secretary-manager. It is understood that certain decisions were arrived at which will be recommended to the Council of the Football Association at its next meeting.

The relative merits of post and pre-war Rugby football have always been an absorbing topic of conversation and discussion amongst Rugby footballers. One of the most interesting features, statistically especially, is the remarkable advance of France in post-war Rugby. Victories for the home countries by 20 or 30 points were the rule in pre-war days. Since then France has been one of the most difficult sides to beat.—W. J. A. Davies.

BRILLIANT PLAY BY CHAMPIONS.

REMARKABLE RECOVERY.

Rumjahn Cousins Again Win the Title.

GALLANT LOSERS.

[By "Base Line."]

At the H.K.C.C. yesterday H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn won the Colony's Open Doubles Championship for the seventh year in succession when they defeated C. A. L. Rumjahn and J. A. E. Cassumbhoy after 41 games.

In yesterday's issue I made a timid suggestion that the title might at last change hands, and it very nearly did. In the first set there was only one pair in the picture and that was the challenging pair. By skilful lobbing, accurate smashing, and beautiful driving the pair established a superiority which was greater than the score of 6-4 would suggest. A feature of this opening set was the continual lapses in the service of all four participants. This, I feel, was due to a disconcerting cross wind which made judgment of trick services very difficult.

Early Advantage.

Cassumbhoy played a great game in the opening set, his dashing display at the net after well placed lobs being loudly applauded time and again. "C. A. L.," the holder of the Singles title, drove with terrific force and judgment to aid his partner in his destructive work at the net. The contrast in styles provided the challengers with an advantage that they did not allow to slip from their grasp. The holders were not allowed to gain their net positions and found that their weakness overhead was being utilised to the best advantage by their challengers. Crisp volleying bouts were, however, witnessed without either pair displaying a superiority.

"S. A." Determined.

Gone was that smile off "S. A.'s" cheery countenance in the second set and a determined look boded ill for the chances of the challengers in this set. His driving was perfect in its length, height, and direction. Overhead, he showed no tendencies of his former weakness. His service had improved tremendously and, backed up by the remarkable net play of "H. D.," the pair went out at 6-1. It was a really fine set and at its conclusion the pairs were again on level terms. There was little excuse for the failure of the challengers after their tactics in the first set. They forsook the waiting game for a forcing game and lost their early advantage as a result. Had they won this set their names might have adorned a three column head-line.

The Decider.

The third set, which incidentally was to prove the deciding set, proved an exciting duel at the net and honours once again went to the holders, who by now had a firm grip on the game. The brilliant driving of C. A. L. Rumjahn was as brilliantly discounted by the extraordinary volleying abilities of his cousin, "H. D." One could not wish to see better judgment and more entertaining play than what this set provided. Both pairs were aware of the importance attached to this set and both strove hard for the winning point, and only continual lobbing kept the Rumjahns at bay until the tenth game.

Opportunity Lost.

The fourth and last set provided thrills innumerable. Everything depended upon the Rumjahns winning this set as the light was fast fading and there was hardly time for a fifth and deciding set. With the game in their grasp at 5-4 the Rumjahns allowed their opponents to get on level terms again. Leading at 6-5, the challengers looked as if they might level the scores in sets, but bright play at the net and good positioning shots proved too much for them and they were forced to relinquish their last hope of victory.

Though committing many blunders, "C. A. L." was the best player on the court. He tried hard to dominate the play, but his opponents were too sensible to allow him the monopoly, and continual playing on Cassumbhoy was responsible for his cracking-up at the crucial point in the fourth set. He played a very good game on the whole, his lobbing being perfectly judged and some of his recoveries being just short of miraculous. "C. A. L." found that his drives, no matter in which direction, were effectively blocked by the immaculate volleying of "H. D." and "S. A." At times he showed a tendency to attempt difficult angle shots and lost valuable points in this way. A weakness overhead when both his opponents were out of position also let him down, but for all that his play was always bright. Once in the fourth set "S. A." Rumjahn thought he had an easy point when he treated a "kill" with scant respect and just placed it over the net. The crowd fairly gasped as "C. A. L." dashed up the side-lines and took the point with a beautiful shot. "S. A." had to smile at his underestimation of the speed of his opponent.

Deserved Success.

The champions fully deserved their seventh victory in the final, and their recovery after an indifferent start was very creditable. The manner in which they turned defensive methods into destructive offensive paths was also very laudable. "H. D." was in brilliant form with his volleying and covered up his partner in a most praiseworthy manner. "S. A." showed some of his old form in the later stages and once the pair were in a commanding position he was a definite power in attack.

Who now can say that our doubles champions have fallen away from their high standard? They are still equal to all occasions.

Final result:—S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn beat C. A. L. Rumjahn and J. A. E. Cassumbhoy by 4-6, 6-1, 6-4, 8-6.

At the conclusion of the match Mr. H. R. B. Hancock, after a few words of appreciation, asked Miss Hodgson to present the trophies. Miss Hodgson, after distributing the prizes, was presented with a silver vase containing a small bouquet of flowers as a souvenir of the occasion.

LIST OF SUCCESSES.

Open Singles Championship of the Colony.

Winner: C. A. Rumjahn.
Runner-up: E. C. Fincher.

Open Doubles Championship of the Colony.

Winners: H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn.
Runners-up: C. A. L. Rumjahn and J. A. E. Cassumbhoy.

Club Championship.

Winner: A. L. Sullivan.
Runner-up: L. Goldman.

Handicap Singles "A".

Winner: R. H. Wild.
Runner-up: R. M. Henderson.

Many full-backs I could mention think they have done their job by kicking the ball as hard and as often as possible, trusting to luck where it goes. Such players are a nuisance to the side, for the ball is quickly returned, and has to be cleared over again. Every kick should be placed, if possible, to the feet of a colleague to be of benefit to the side. Overkicking the forwards is another bad mistake.—Alec James.

E. D. ANDREWS IN ACTION.

To Be Seen at H.K.C.C. To-day.

WEEK'S PROGRAMME.

E. D. Andrews, the famous New Zealand player, will be seen on the courts of the H.K.C.C. to-day when he will participate in exhibition doubles matches. Below is appended the programme drawn up by the H.K.L.T.A. tickets for which can be obtained from Moutrie's:—

To-day.

E. D. Andrews and E. C. Fincher v. Khoo Hooi-hye and Paul Kong.
E. D. Andrews and C. A. L. Rumjahn v. H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn.

To-morrow.

Khoo Hooi-hye and Paul Kong v. H. D. and S. A. Rumjahn.
C. A. L. Rumjahn v. Khoo.

Thursday.

E. D. Andrews and M. W. Lo v. C. A. L. Rumjahn and J. A. E. Cassumbhoy.
E. D. Andrews and A. L. Sullivan v. S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn.

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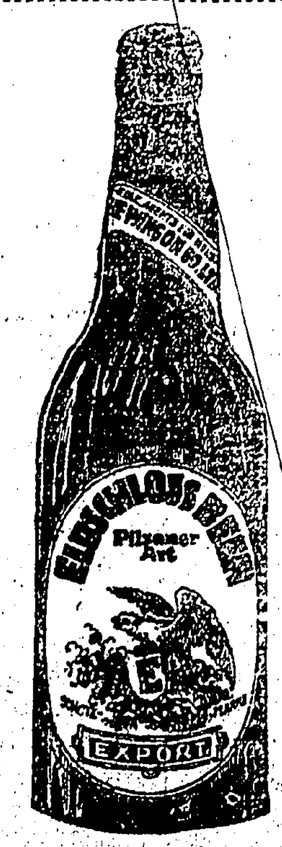

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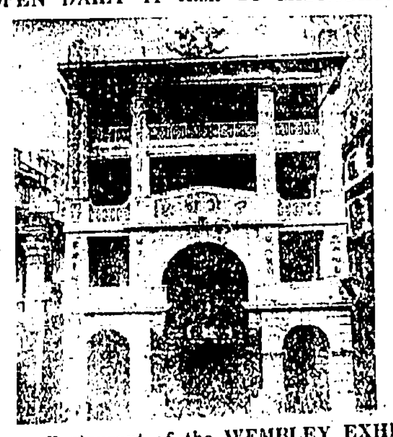

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Some Good Finishes at Chefoo Athletic Meet.

SYSTEM OF MARKING.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Chefoo, April 27.

A very pleasant evening was spent on Monday, April 20, in the C.I.M. Memorial Hall, when a varied musical programme was given by Mrs. Strausser, Mrs. Dilley, and friends under the able management of Mr. H. J. Chalkley. The Rev. A. H. Faers took the chair at 7.15 p.m. by which time the Hall was well filled with an enthusiastic audience who followed keenly each of the items rendered. Appended is the Programme.

Part Song: The Fountain, Butler, by boys of Forms 2, 3 and 4.

Piano Solo: A Triumphal March, (Greig), by M. I. Magit.

Song: A Flower Chorus, (Fletcher), by girls of the Lower School.

Violin Trios, Andante from 7th Symphony (Beethoven), by Mrs. H. Strausser; March from the Prophet (Meyerbeer), by Jean and Paul Dilley.

Songs: April is a Lady, (Trees), by Miss McNair.

Reading, by Mr. Martin.

Song: Shadow Dance, (Campbell), by Girls of the Upper School.

Piano Duet, Nell Gwyne Dances, (German), by Mesdames Diller and Railton.

Songs: Sneezles, The Emperor's Rhyme, by Mr. H. J. Chalkley.

Violin Solos, with Piano Accompaniment, Romance (Svendsen), by Mrs. H. Strausser; Silver Wedding (Gabril Marie), by Mrs. Dilley.

Song: The Lass with the delicate air, by Miss M. Abbott.

Song: You are old, Father William, by boys of Forms 2, 3 and 4.

Athletic Sports.

The China Inland Mission Boys' School annual athletic sports were held under most favourable weather conditions on Wednesday, April 22, on the Boys' School Field. The course had been considerably altered this year, a 330 yards oval having been substituted for the smaller one formerly used.

All the events were most keenly contested, the Middle and Junior boys ran well, and D. Moore beat all previous Middle School records in the 100, 220, and 440 yards as well as for the long and high jumps.

Another alteration was that this year the system of marking was extended so as to create a greater keenness among the representatives of the various houses. While Livingstone House this year was not represented in the Senior Division, the boys representing this House in the Middle and Junior events scored the highest number of standard marks.

Challenge Shield.

David Landsborough was the successful winner of the Challenge Shield: but was hard pressed by the runners-up, W. Thomas and A. Moore.

The long run was run off the previous Wednesday afternoon, and several of the heats, etc., were taken on the previous days, owing to the large number of events. D. Moore, a Middle year boy came in first in the Senior Division, covering the 2½ miles across country in 12 minutes, 32 seconds.

On Saturday afternoon an excellent programme was carried through on the Boys' School field between the Settlement and the Boys' School, when seven events were carried out, the settlement winning easily this year as both their running and their long jump were in fine form. The high jump by G. Martin of the B.S. was excellent, leaving all his opponents easily behind.

A very large company gathered on the field to watch these sports and thoroughly enjoyed every event.

The Results.

The full results were as follows:—

100 Yards—Final (Senior Division):—1, Landsborough (Winning House—Paton) 2, Thomas (Paton); A. Moore (Winning House — Carey); J. Hearne (Carey); Walker (Carey); and Dilly (Carey).

Time: 12 secs.

100 Yards — Final (Middle Division):—1, D. Moore (P); 2, Fleischmann (C); Whitelaw (P); Deale (C); S. Rist (Livingstone); and Zentner (P).

Time: 12.2/5 secs.

100 Yards—1st Heat (Junior Division):—1, J. Moore (C); 2, Croft (C); McIntyre (P); Bird (P); Swenson (L); and Bryan (P).

100 Yards—2nd Heat:—1, R. Rist (L); 2, Yorkston (L); Sturt (L); J. Lanning (C); Browne (L); and G. Thompson (L).

100 Yards—3rd Heat: — 1, Grubb (L); 2, Trickey (L) Edgar (L); D. Lanning (C); A. Hearne (C); Palmberg (L).

100 Yards — 4th Heat: — 1. Glass (L); 2, Kiehn (L); Polverino (P); C. Mellow (P); Culpepper (L); and Garland (L).

Hurdles (90 Yards) — Final (Senior Division):—1, A. Moore (C); 2, Landsborough (P); Thomas (P) and Walker (C).

Time: 12.2/5 secs.

Long Jump — Final (Middle Division):—1, D. Moore (P); 2, Fleischmann (C); S. Rist (L).

Distance: 5 ft. 2¾ ins.

High Jump — Final (Senior Division): — 1, Landsborough (P); 2, A. Moore (C); Thomas (P).

Height: 4 ft. 9¾ ins.

100 Yards — Final (Junior Division):—1, R. Rist; 2, J. Moore.

Time: 14 secs.

440 Yards — Final (Middle Division):—1, D. Moore (P); 2, Fleischmann (C); Whitelaw (P); Hutchison (P); Learner (L); Gardiner (C) S. Rist (L); Ledgard (P); R. Weller (C).

Time: 66.2/5 secs.

Long Jump — Final (Senior Division): — 1, Landsborough (P); 2, A. Moore (C); Walker (C).

Distance: 16 ft. 4¼ ins.

High Jump — Final (Middle Division):—1, D. Moore (P); 2, Learner (L); King (L) Fleischmann (C).

Height: 4 ft. 4½ ins.

220 Yards — Final (Junior Division):—1, R. Rist (L); 2, J. Moore (C); Trickey (L); Swenson (L); Grubb (L); Polverino (P); Croft (C); Yorkston (L); and Glass (L).

Time: 32.4/5 secs.

440 Yards — Final (Senior Division):—1, Thomas (P); 2, A. Moore (C); Landsborough (P); J. Hearne (C); T. Hirst (C); Walker (C).

Time: 61.1/5 secs.

220 Yards — Final (Senior Division): — 1, Landsborough (P); 2, Thomas (P); Dilley (C); J. Hearne (C); Walker (C); A. Moore (C).

Time: 26.3/5 secs.

440 Yards — Final (Junior Division):—1, J. Moore (C); 2, R. Rist (L); Grubb (L); Trickey (L); Edgar (L); G. Thompson (L); Glass (L); Yorkston (L); and Croft (C).

Time: 73.2/5 secs.

220 Yards — Final (Middle Division):—1, D. Moore (P); 2, Fleischmann (C); Hutchison (P); Deale (C); Ledgard (P); S. Rist (L); Whitelaw (P); Pote Hunt (P); and King (L).

Time: 28.2/5 secs.

660 Yards Inter-House Relay Race (Senior):—Winning House "Carey."

Time: 1 min., 24.1/5 secs.

New Port Chaplain.

The Rev. Henry Mathews, M.A., has arrived to take over the Chaplaincy of the Port and we trust that his services among us may be helpful to all.

A long drought has at last been broken by a good night's rain which will save, we trust, the wheat crop, and also enable the farmers to do more planting out although the season is somewhat late.

Chefoo is expecting to be crowded this Summer as every available house has been rented, and we hear that the boarding houses are to be full.

Our Sports Diary.

LOCAL.

LAWN TENNIS—To-day—Exhibition Matches at H.K.C.C.

CHESS—To-day—Open Championship.

FOOTBALL—To-morrow—South China A.A. v. The Rest and Distribution of Trophies.

HOCKEY—Friday—Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club (Champions) v. The Rest of the League.

ATHLETICS — Saturday—Sacred Heart College at K.F.C.

LAWN BOWLS—Saturday—Entries close for Open Singles Championship; First Division—Civil Service v. Police, K.C.C. v. Kowloon Dock, K.B.G.C. v. Craigengower, Recreio v. Taikoo; Second Division—Craigengower v. K.B.G.C., Yacht Club v. Civil Service, Taikoo v. Recreio, H.K. Electric v. K.C.C.

HOME.

LAWN TENNIS—To-day—Davis Cup first round to be completed.

GOLF—To-morrow—Golf Illustrated Gold Vase.

Saturday—St. George's Cup at Sandwich.

RACING — To-morrow—Chester Cup.

Saturday—Great Jubilee Handicap.

MOTORING — Friday — Junior Car Club Double Twelve at Brooklands.

EXCHANGES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

On London—	
Bank, wire	11¾
Bank, on demand	11¾
Bank, 4 months' sight	11 13/16
Credits, 4 months' sight	1/– 7/16
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/– 9/16
On Paris—	
On demand	607½
Credits, 4 months' sight	647½
On Berlin—	
On demand	Nom.
On New York—	
On demand	23 13/16
Credits, 60 days' sight	24 15/16
On Bombay—	
Wire	65⅞
On demand	65⅞
On Calcutta—	
Wire	65⅞
On demand	65⅞
On Singapore—	
On demand	42⅜
On Manila—	
On demand	47⅞
On Shanghai—	
On demand	₹77½
Dollar	4½% dis.
On Yokohama—	
On demand	48⅛
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	1/– ⅜
Silver (per oz.)	13⅛
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	Nominal
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Cents	3% prem.
Rate of Native Interest	3½% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	23½% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	Par

LONDON EXCHANGES

	Rugby, Yesterday.
Paris	124.40½
New York	4.86½
Brussels	34.96½
Geneva	25.24½
Amsterdam	12.1
Milan	92.88½
Berlin	20.42½
Stockholm	18.14½
Copenhagen	18.16¾
Oslo	18.16½
Vienna	34.56½
Prague	164¼
Helsingfors	193¼
Madrid	46.85
Athens	375
Bucharest	817
Rio	3 17/32
Buenos Aires	35 15/16
Montevideo	32⅛
Bombay	1/5 13/16
Shanghai	1/3
Yokohama	2/– 13/32
Hong Kong	11¾
Silver Spot & Forward	13⅛

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HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

Opening Daily Official Quotations 5th May, 1931.

STOCK	Buyers	Sellers	Sales	Nom.	Fin. year	Last dividend and when paid	
Banks.							
Hong Kong Bank	$ 2025	...	2040	...	Dec.	Final £3 bonus £1 (=$23.14 ex. 1/1½=$23.14) Fin. 7/- bonus (Subject to 1/Tax making 2025 for 1930)	Mar. 31
Chartered Bank	£ ...	...	...	14½	Dec.		Mar. —, 31
Mercantile Bk., A&B.	£ ...	...	...	23½	Dec.	Fin. 23½- s/c } a/c 1930 less 1/Tax	Apr. —, 31
,, C.	£ ...	...	...	12½			
Bank of Asia	$ 120	...	...	...	Dec.	$8 for 1930	Feb 28, 31
Insurances.							
Canton Ins.	$ ...	...	...	1400	Dec.	Fin. $32 bon. $10 for 1929 Interim $16 s/c 1930 =$60	Pending
Union Ins.	$ 636	...	636	...	Dec.	Final 16/- for 1/Tax Interim 24/- a/c 1930 =$42	Pending
*China Underwriters	$ 4.00	...	...	...	Dec.	None	...
China Fire Ins.	$ 525	...	...	...	Dec.	Final $20 bonus $80 and $14 for 1929 Interim $8 a/c 1930 =$72	Pending
H. K. Fire Ins.	$ ...	...	...	1300	Dec.	$80 and bonus $10 making $90 for 1930	Mar. 26, 31
Shipping.							
Douglases	$ 23½	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924	...
H. K. Steamboats	$ ...	...	...	27½	Dec.	$1-50 for 1929 None for 1930	Mar. 4, 30
Indo-China (Pref.)	$ ...	...	...	40	Dec.	12/- ex. 2/-½ on preferred for 1924 and 1925	June 19, 29
,, (Def.)	$ 30	...	...	...		Last dividend for 1921	...
Shell Transports	£/- ...	...	...	5-3/1½	Dec.	Interim 2/- Coupon No. 67 free 1/Tax a/c 1930	Jan. 6, 31
Union Waterboats	$ 27½	...	...	...	Dec.	$1-50 for 1930	Mar. 31, 31
Mining.							
Benguets	$ ...	...	...	0½	Dec.	Interim 25 centavos a/c 1931	Mar. 31, 31
Kailan Mining Ad.	£/- ...	...	...	27/6	June	Fin. 4% free 1/Tax C'pon 88 making 9% for year 30-6-30	Dec. 30, 30
Langkat	Fls. ...	...	...	8½	Oct.	T. 0.50 for year 31-10-29	May 8, 30
S'hai Exploration	Tls. ...	...	...	2	Dec.	None	...
,, Loans	Tls. ...	...	...	5½	Dec.	Final T. 0.45 making T. 0.60 for 1930 Third Int. 1/- a/c year 31-3-21	Feb. 6, 31
*Raubs	$ ...	...	...	38½	Mar.		Mar. 16, 31
Venezuela Gold Fields	$ 3½	...	...	...	...	...	...
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.							
H. K. & K. Wharves	$ ...	...	...	164	Dec.	$9 for 1930	Mar. 19, 31
H. K. & W. Docks	$ 29½	...	...	...	Dec.	Last dividend for 1924	...
South Ch. Motors	$ ...	...	...	10	...	...	...
*China Providents (old)	$ 5.60	5½	5.80	...	Dec.	(10 cents on old) (01 cents on new) for 1930	April 8, 31
,, (new)	$ ...	...	2½	...			
Hongkews	Tls. ...	...	...	290	Dec.	Fin. T. 11 mak. T. 14 for 1930	Pending
N. Engineerings	Tls. ...	...	...	6	Dec.	T. 0.25 for 1930	Mar. 4, 31
Shanghai Docks	Tls. ...	...	...	112	Apr.	T. 7 for year 31-4-30	July 30, 30
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.							
*H. K. & S. Hotels	$ 15½	15.60	15½	...			
,, (E.R.)	$ ...	...	...	14½	Dec.	80 cents for 1930	Apr. 16, 31
,, (Rts.)	$ 3½	...	4	...			
H.K. Lands	$ 91½	...	91½	...	Dec.	Final $2 making $4 for 1929 and $1 on new issue	Feb. 10, 31
Shanghai Lands	Tls. 39	...	...	...	Dec.	Final T. 18 making T. 21 for 1930 on old shares	Mar. 19, 31
Humphreys (old)	$ ...	...	...	17			
,, (new)	$ ...	...	...	16½	Dec.	80 cents for 1930	Feb. 24, 31
H. K. Realties	$ ...	...	...	11.80	Dec.	Final 20 cents making 60 cents for 1930	Apr. 15, 31
Chinese Estates	$ 90	...	...	...	Feb.	$3 for year 28-2-30	July 31, 30
Cotton Mills.							
*Ewo Cotton	Tls. 13.80	...	13.80	...	Dec.	T. 0.75 for 1930	Mar. 12, 31
Shanghai Cotton	Tls. ...	...	...	101	Apr. and Oct.	T. 3-25 for half year 31-10-30	Nov. 29, 30
Zung Sings	Tls. ...	...	...	11½	June	T. 0-80 for year 30-6-30	Oct. 11, 30
Public Utilities.							
*H. K. Tramways	$ 19½	...	...	...	Dec.	Final of 40 cents making 80 cents for 1930	Feb. 27, 31
Peak Trams (old)	$ ...	...	...	14½	Apr.	($20 cts. on old) for year	
,, (new)	$ ...	...	...	6½		(40 cts. on new) 30-4-30	June 16, 30
Star Ferries	$ ...	...	...	94.65	Dec.	$4 for 1930	Feb. 13, 31
*China Light	$ 26.40	20½	...	...	Sept.	Final 50 cts. a/c yr. 30-9-30	Dec. 15, 30
H. K. Electrics	$ ...	...	...	52	Dec.	$2.50 for 1930	Mar. 18, 31
Macao ,,	$ ...	...	...	38	Dec.	...	...
Sandakan Lights	$ ...	...	...	12	June	None	...
H.K. Tels. fully paid	$ 53½	...	...	...	Dec.	Final 4% making 10% a/c 1930	Mar. 11, 31
,, part paid	$ 42½	...	...	...			
China Buses	Tls. ...	...	...	19.20	Dec.	T. 0.90 for 1929	Feb. 25, 30
S'pore Tractions	(Ord.)s/- ...	...	...	6/6			
,,	(Pref.)s/- ...	...	...	19/-	Sept.	1/4½ on preference shares Subject to income tax	Feb. 6, 31
Industrials.							
China Sugars	$ ...	...	...	80cts.	...	In Liquidation	...
Malabon Sugars	$ ...	...	...	30	Dec.	Fn. 4.50 for 1930	Mar. 4, 31
Cald: Macg. Ord.	Tls. ...	...	...	14	Dec.	T. 1 Pf. 0.80 for 1930	Mar. 27, 31
,, Pref.	Tls. ...	...	...	10½			
Canton Ices	$ ...	...	...	3.60	July	None	...
*Cements (com.)	$ 18.40	...	...	...	Dec.	($0 cents on old) ($4 cents on new) for 1930	Mar. 18, 31
,, (old)	$ 12½	...	...	...			
,, (new)	$ ...	...	...	5.15			
H. K. Ropes	$ 20½	...	19	...	Dec.	75 cents for 1930	Mar. 27, 31
Stores, &c.							
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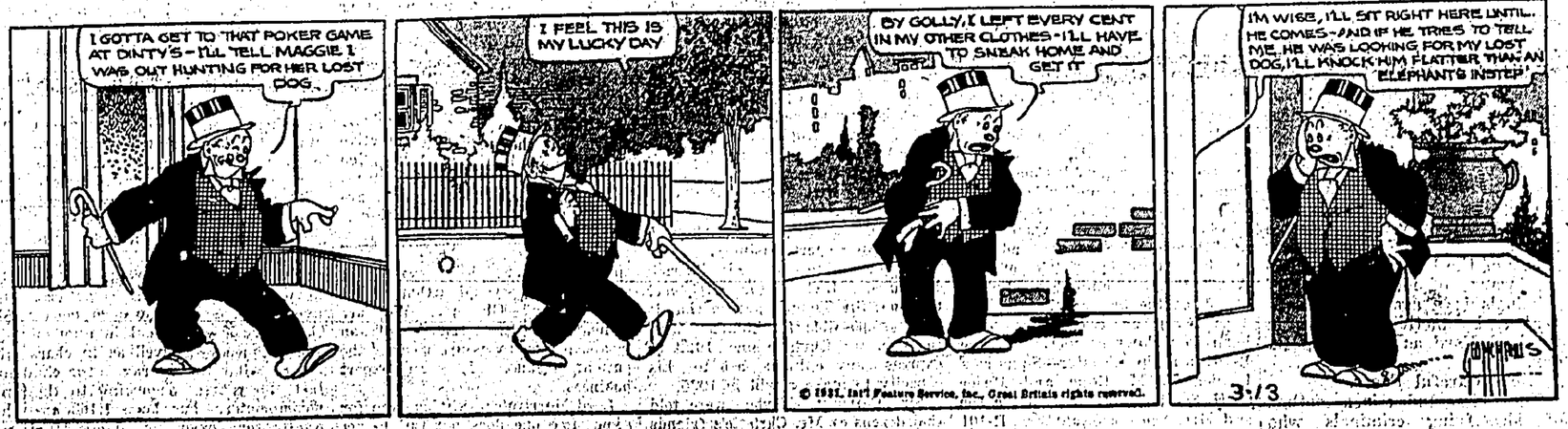

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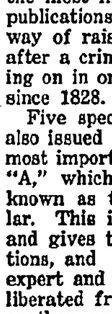

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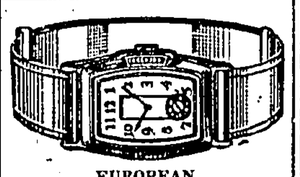

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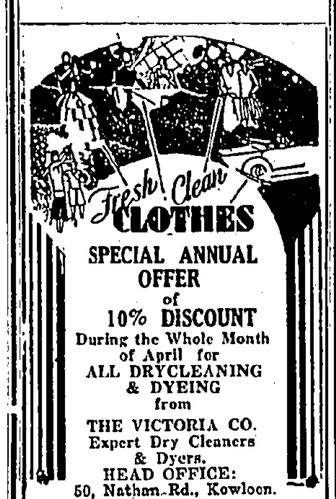

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CRIME IS NEVER FORGOTTEN.

How the Police Refresh Their Memories.

The Law never forgets.

No matter how long ago the crime was committed, whether murder, burglary, larceny, or some petty theft, once the police "want" a certain person, that individual cannot have a moment's peace. Any day a hand may be put on his shoulder with the dreaded words; "I want you, come along with me."

A striking instance of the law's wonderful "memory" was revealed in a case before the Courts when a man appeared on a paternity order of 1888! Although 43 years have passed and during that time the man has been in the United States of America, barely had he set foot in Britain again when he was seen at Birkenhead—and the Law remembered.

Hop many of the thousands of people who read cases of arrest of persons living after the sudden hue and cry is raised and has died down, realise the scale of the work and the amazing machinery which is set going once a person is "wanted" by the police.

It is not just a simple matter of sending "a detailed description to every police-station in the metropolitan area" with perhaps finger-prints.

In many cases persons are "wanted" for some reason or other who have never before come under the notice of the police.

As a matter of fact, Scotland Yard is "the" record office where particulars relating to about half a million people are included in its files — and is, therefore, of a national character. Every police-station in the British Isles has a miniature card index of its own.

In this are carefully filed particulars of "wanteds" and those who have paid the penalty of their crimes."

One of the oldest methods of classification of criminals is by descriptive marks such as scars, deformity, and tattoo marks.

One of the last and most effective ways of identification of criminals is a system of classification by methods known in Scotland Yard as the Crime Index.

Careful Bases.

The Crime Index is a method of identifying criminals who have a tendency to specialise, and although this fact has been known for many years, it is only quite recently that it has been found that this method of crime index forms a most careful basis of criminal classification.

One of the most careful methods employed by the Law to refresh its memory is police publications.

Many of them are only issued to the Metropolitan Police, while others go all over the British Isles.

Of these there is a paper known as "Informations," which is circulated twice daily to all police-stations, and read to police officers when they parade for duty. There is also a pawnbroker's list; then the Police Gazette, which is the most important of all police publications, and is the modern way of raising the hue and cry after a criminal; it has been going on in one form or other ever since 1828.

Five special supplements are also issued with the Gazette, the most important being supplement "A," which was at one time known as the Illustrated Circular. This is issued fortnightly, and gives the portraits, descriptions, and other particulars of expert and travelling criminals, liberated from prison. There is another weekly issue devoted to convicts, people failing to report, aliens and deserters. The fifth supplement which is issued monthly refers to stolen motor-cars.

No known criminal, or in fact, any lawbreaker, can rely on the law losing its memory. It never forgets. — Rupert Batten in the Star.

AIR CHIEF'S DAUGHTER.

Born Six Weeks After Father's Death.

Mrs. Freda Samson, widow of Air Commodore Charles Rumney Samson, has given birth to a daughter at The Mansion, Leatherhead, Surrey.

Mrs. Samson, who is a daughter of Mr. Herbert K. Reeves, of Leatherhead, married Commodore Samson as his second wife in 1924. Commodore Samson, because of his hazardous exploits, was known as "Daredevil" Samson and also as the "Captain Kettle of the Air." He died suddenly on February 5, at the age of 47.

In December two babies were born to widows of victims of the R-101 airship disaster—Squadron-Leader F. M. Rope and Major G. H. Scott. Mrs. Rope had a son and Mrs. Scott a daughter. R-101 crashed on October 5.

"ANGER SHORT MADNESS."

Impatience As a Sign of Mental Incapacity.

A discussion between Lord Merrivale and Sir Thomas Horder about provocation and insanity took place at the hearing of the fifth Earl of Portsmouth, whose husband, Mr. Augustus Langham Christie, of Eaton Square, W., and Tapley Park, Instow, Devon, died last year.

Mr. Christie made two wills one in 1901 in favour of Lady Rosamond, and another in 1925. Colonel G. B. Oerton, a solicitor, is supporting the second will as executor, and Mr. Otho Nicholson, M.P., the residuary legatee under this will, is cited as a party to the suit.

The question at issue is whether Mr. Christie was sane when he made the 1925 will.

"In my consulting room," said Sir Thomas, "Mr. Christie was somewhat excitable and difficult to get to sit down. He wandered about the room and was a bit eccentric. He played with articles of furniture and things on my table. He was emotionally unstable and wept a little."

Replying to Lord Merrivale, Sir Thomas declared that anger was short madness.

Lord Merrivale: An apposite remark, if I may say so. Can you judge in the case of a physically afflicted man like Mr. Christie whether mental capacity was affected without being able to form judgment as to whether there was real ground of provocation?

Sir Thomas: Provocation requires patience to endure, and if that patience is absent I regard that as evidence of mental incapacity. A certain amount of provocation must surely be endured.

Lord Merrivale: A normal man must bear reasonably any provocation. Some people are indifferent to provocation. Do you judge mental capacity in some cases by ascertaining what is the capacity of resisting provocation?

"Certainly," replied Sir Thomas.

An Expert Business.

Cross-examined by Sir Patrick Hastings, K.C. (for Colonel Oerton), Sir Thomas agreed that it was not possible for him, not having seen Mr. Christie since 1922, to express any opinion as to his capacity to make a will in 1925.

Sir Patrick: If you were told that dozens of Mr. Christie's friends outside his house formed the opinion that he was of sound mind would that affect your view?—Oh no. We are bombarded with friends of an insane person to assure us that the patient is sane. It is an expert business.

Lord Merrivale: Sitting here for some time one does not fail to get that impression.

COAST TO COAST.

AIR MAIL - PASSENGER SERVICE IN U.S.

America's first "day and night" air mail-passenger service between the Atlantic and Pacific seaboards became operative on April 1, when National Air Transport and Boeing Air Transport inaugurated trimotored passenger plane schedules of twenty-eight hours eastbound and thirty-one hours westbound between New York and San Francisco.

Passengers leaving New York at 9 a.m. are scheduled to arrive at San Francisco, 2,770 miles away, at 1.18 p.m. the following afternoon. Eastbound, passengers leave San Francisco at noon and arrive in New York at 7.24 p.m. the following evening. The trip eastward is three hours faster than westward due largely to prevailing winds.

National Air Transport will fly the New York-Chicago divisions and Boeing Air Transport between Chicago and San Francisco.

While the Boeing planes on the night divisions do not have berths, the trans-continental passengers can rest in reclining, adjustable chairs. There are individual reading lamps. Pillows and blankets are available for those who desire to sleep.

Passengers will be served meals while in flight and at ground depots. The west-bound traveller has breakfast in New York, lunch in Chicago, dinner while flying over Iowa City, a midnight lunch at Cheyenne, breakfast at Salt Lake City and lunch at San Francisco.

Fares are approximately eight cents a mile.

The trimotored transports flown on this route vary from seven to eight and three-quarters tons gross weight. They are powered with Pratt and Whitney Wasp and Hornet engines. Cruising speed is 115 miles an hour. There are thirteen stops in nine States.

Planes have radio telephone. Department of Commerce directive radio beacons have been installed between New York and Cheyenne. U.S. Weather Bureau reports are available from scores of stations.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS IN JAPAN.

Old Timer's Methods for Keeping Alive.

The other night, after a few hours of sound sleep, the violent motion of my bed awoke me, and I made an instinctive bound out on the floor, writes the Tokyo correspondent of the Morning Post.

Rushing to my wife's bed, I found her not; and then, flying to the door of the room, I found it had not jammed to imprison me. Then, dashing into the corridor, I collided with my wife and children, all making for the front door, which I instantly wrenched open; but we did not go out, as the portico seemed likely to collapse over our heads. Pausing thus a moment to consider whether it were safer outside or inside, we yet realised that the house was still swaying and leaping at a dangerous angle. As an old-timer, I somehow knew that the shock had done its worst, was on the point of exhaustion, and that the house would not come down, the motion then being due to after-tremors.

"Why didn't you wake me before you left the room?" I demanded of my wife after we quieted down with the house.

"I had to get the infant," she calmly replied. "I knew the earthquake would attend to you."

"And had the shock not awakened the child by the time you reached him?" I asked.

"No," she said; "I had to seize him in my arms and dash for the door, hoping to collect the girls on the way, but found them in the corridor."

A Dozen Shocks in a Day.

Of course, one of the most disconcerting aspects of life in Japan is the persistency of earthquakes. During two days recently we had more than a dozen shocks, most of them very mild movements. When I first came to Japan, now more than 30 years ago, I was rather surprised when a friend said to me: "How do you think you will like the earthquakes?"

"Earthquakes," I asked, "Do you have many?"

"Well, yes," he replied, "we have quite a number: sometimes five or ten a day, or even more; they vary a great deal in number and frequency, as well as in character. But the average for the last 30 years, according to the seismometer, has been 1,463 annually for Tokyo, or about 4 a day; while the average for the whole Empire is about 5,000 a year."

"I don't think I shall have any fancy for earthquakes," I said. I know Japan had a few shocks now and then, but I did not suppose they occurred so often. "What do you do when an earthquake comes?"

"What do you do?" he exclaimed. "Why, you do nothing; the earthquake does it all!"

"Yes, but after so long an experience," I said, "have you no advice to give?"

"No," he replied, "there is not much in the way of practical advice. Of course, you know the earthquake comes with a kick, like this?" And here he struck one of his fists upwards with the other. "When you feel a kick or a succession of kicks, that is the beginning of an earthquake; but it may not amount to anything, as the country has a habit of kicking, owing to former shocks and earth settlements; so we always wait for a second kick before taking action. If the second is worse than the first, we get out; if less, we try a third; and if that is still less, we cease to be alarmed, and thank Heaven."

GAMBLING DEN DEATH.

Russian Gets Ten Years' Gaol.

A Russian, Shapakidze, has been sentenced to ten years' imprisonment by the Tientsin District Court for homicide during a disturbance at No. 2, Ching Yuan Pei Li, Lao Si-kai, French Cosession, on November 29 last.

On the occasion in question—a Saturday afternoon—a large number of Chinese gamblers were assembled in this house when they were visited by Shapakidze and some of his companions. It was stated that these latter persons went to the house in order to extort money from the gamblers and to do so pretended they were detectives of the French Police Force.

The gamblers refused to pay "squeeze" and a general conflict ensued. Several persons were injured and one of the gamblers, a man named Yang, died in the French Hospital next day as a result of his having been struck upon the head with a stool by Shapakidze.

Shapakidze received considerable injuries himself in the fighting and was for some time in hospital. When he came out of hospital he was transferred to prison and indicted for the homicide of Yang.

TAXATION OF BEER.

Sir W. Wayland on Possible Increase.

The twenty-fourth annual dinner of the Allied Brewery Traders' Association was held at the Savoy Hotel. Mr. George Westerdale, chairman of the association, presided.

Colonel Sir William Wayland, M.P., responded to the toast of "The Houses of Parliament."

He said that with a Socialist Government in power, and probably £50,000,000 of revenue to make up, they were more likely to get dearer than cheaper beer, for he had heard it said that the Chancellor of the Exchequer was looking to the brewer to make up the deficiency.

Sir Henry Page Croft, M.P., proposing the toast of "The Association," said that it had 2,000 members who represented employment for over 1,000,000 workers and over £100,000,000 of capital. If the "Pussyfoots" ever had their way the liberties of the people would be restricted and hundreds of thousands of homes ruined.

The Chairman, in reply, said that members of the association considered that the present taxation was very unfair. If the Chancellor of the Exchequer could reduce the price of beer it would have the effect of greatly assisting agriculture. (Cheers).

The secretary of the Canadian Ayrshire Breeders' Association reports having received during the month of February 126 reports of cows and heifers which have qualified in the R.O.P.—48 in the 365 day division and 78 in the Honour Roll or 305 day division. In the 365 day division 32 of the 48 records were made on two milkings a day. The leader in the mature class was Tullochgorum Dorothy owned by the Experimental Farm at Indian Head, Sask., with a splendid record of 16,468 lb. milk, 657 lb. fat.

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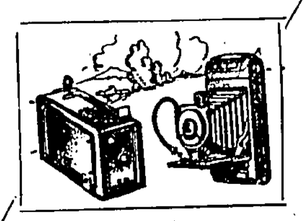

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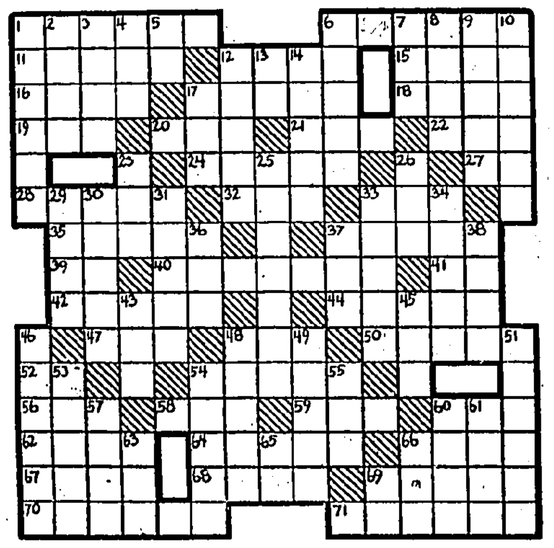

HORIZONTAL
1-To say in reply
6-A city of New Jersey
11-Unaccompanied
12-A foot covering
15-Combining form—air
16-A river of Egypt
17-An ancient weapon
18-Chum
19-A household pet
20-To observe
21-A drink
22-A measure of length
24-S. American mountain range
27-Musical note
28-A king of Israel
32-Loud noise
33-Equality of value
35-An evergreen tree
37-Antic
39-Into
40-Fur-bearing animal
41-Musical note
42-A dean of a diplomatic corps
44-A river in Italy
47-Insane
48-Vase
50-Took out the core of
52-Exist
54-Town mentioned in Bible

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
55-To carry with exertion
58-Not even
59-Energy
60-Possessive pronoun
62-Snare
64-Combining form—ten
66-Pulled apart
67-One of the Great Lakes
68-Inland sea, Turkestan
69-Bracing
70-A city in N. W. France
71-To instigate

VERTICAL
1-Sour
2-Charles Lamb's pen name
3-To jar
4-Unit
5-That is (Latin abbr.)
6-Goddess of grain and harvests
7-Chart
8-Precious
9-Mistake
10-Inclined the head
12-To pay out, as money

VERTICAL (Con.)
13-Personal pronoun
14-Made of oats
17-Ocean
23-Performed
25-Contention or strife
26-An opening
29-Sour
30-Poison
31-Ventured
33-Sudden overpowering fear
34-To allude
36-Hurried
37-A small bed
38-Scarce
43-A kind of sweet potato
45-Marsh
46-To waver
48-Beneath
49-New
51-To guide
53-The razor-billed auk
54-Collections of Icelandic literature
55-Edge
57-To get
60-Sharpening-stone
61-Ireland
63-Writing instrument
65-Symbol for calcium
66-Boy's name (short)
69-Toward

RADIO TOPICS

CIVIC CONCERTS.

MAY BE BROADCAST IN SHANGHAI.

FAVOURABLE VIEW.

After rejecting at first an application for broadcasting the concerts of the Shanghai Municipal Orchestra, the Council is now prepared to consider favourably the proposal to send these weekly programmes over the air. At the last meeting of the Orchestra and Band Committee the Chairman referred to a further application he had received for permission to broadcast the performances of the orchestra during the forthcoming Summer season. As the applicants have obtained permission from the Chinese authorities to undertake broadcasting operations, and having regard to the advertisement from a cultural viewpoint the Council will receive by permitting these performances to be broadcast over a very extensive area, the Chairman stated that he strongly supported this application.

He recalled that, at its last meeting, the Committee recommended that this application be disapproved as it was anticipated that difficulty would be experienced in securing the permission of the Chinese authorities to undertake broadcasting; this obstacle no longer existed. He therefore suggested that consideration be given to the terms upon which it could be recomended that this application be granted.

A member pointed out that, when favourable consideration was given to the application of the Shanghai Power Company to broadcast these performances, he supported it solely with a view to stimulating the attendances thereat. Recently, however, these performances had been very fully attended; he therefore questioned the necessity for the broadcasting thereof under a system which apparently would primarily benefit advertisers, unless a substantial payment for this privilege was made to the Council to offset the undoubted loss in revenue which would occur as a result of these concerts being broadcast.

Engaging Musicians.

The Conductor stated that he understood the Broadcasting Company were arranging to engage 12 musicians presumably for the purpose of rendering short concerts of light music several times daily. It would thus appear that the Company was in a position to make adequate payment for the broadcasting of the Municipal Orchestra. It was pointed out that in Western Countries a licence fee is imposed on owners of receiving sets, a portion of which is handed over to the Broadcasting Companies and forms a substantial source of income to such undertakings. It was, however, unlikely that such a system could be introduced in Shanghai.

The Chairman considered that too heavy a payment should not be required for this privilege since the Broadcasting Company does not contemplate the manufacture of receiving apparatus, and its only source of income would be that derived from advertisers. He, therefore, suggested that some tentative arrangement might be reached for say one year, whereunder the Council would be at liberty to increase the charge imposed at a later date and also with the condition that the musicians to be engaged for incidental music should be selected from the Municipal Orchestra.

A Director of the Broadcasting Company attended the meeting.

The Chairman informed him that in the Committee's view, permission to broadcast the performances of the Municipal Orchestra would constitute a very definite asset to the Company. It may, however, be anticipated that the broadcasting thereof would result in decreased atendance at these performances with consequent loss of income to the Council. He, therefore, inquired what sum the Company would be prepared to pay for this privilege.

Process of Formation.

The Director stated that as the Broadcasting Organisation was at present in the process of formation it was somewhat difficult to state a definite figure. The only revenue which the Broadcasting Corporation would receive was that obtained from advertisers; the actual advertising programme would, however, be extremely brief and very carefully edited. The performances of the Municipal Orchestra would be sponsored by one or more advertisers and he anticipated that the fee charged the Corporation by the Council for the broadcasting of these performances would be recovered from the advertiser whose name was associated with the broadcasting thereof. Although it was not anticipated that the revenue to be derived from advertisers would be enormous, the view was taken that it would result in increased business for the advertisers and consequently increased advertising in other forms.

In connection with the Chairman's observation that in the past the ratepayers have criticised the heavy cost of the maintenance of the orchestra, the Director submitted that the broadcasting of its performances will bring it in reach of a far larger section of the Community and popularise it to such an extent as to silence such criticism.

In the absence of definite information as to the revenue from advertisers which will be obtained by the Broadcasting Corporation, he suggested that at the outset a fee of Tls. 150 per month be paid for this privilege. The suggestion that the Broadcasting Orchestra for lighter music should be composed of musicians from the Municipal orchestra was not regarded as feasible as the personnel of the former orchestra will be required to perform at various and irregular intervals, in many cases at short notice.

Amplifiers for Parks.

This suggestion would, however, be discussed with the Conductor.

The Director also stated that by the introduction of amplifiers in the various parks and possibly at the Race Club enclosure, it would be possible for the performances of the Orchestra to be relayed and enjoyed by audiences at three or four of these places at one time. In respect of the Summer concerts which are held four times weekly, he considered that his Company would be prepared to pay the Council Tls. 600 monthly for the privilege of broadcasting. In this connection, the Conductor stated that if required special performances could be given for broadcasting purposes on those nights during the Summer Season when the Orchestra was not engaged in giving its regular outdoor performances.

The Conductor suggested as a provisional one-year arrangement that the Company should guarantee for indoor concerts the difference between the receipts for a full house and the actual receipts and for the outdoor Summer concerts any shortage in the actual receipts during the forthcoming season as compared with the average actual receipts for each performance last Summer. This would effectually cover any loss from reduced attendances owing to the broadcasting, increase the receipts somewhat for the indoor concerts and maintain the high level of receipts realised by the open air concerts during the last season.

On this suggestion being supported by the Committee, the Director stated that he thought his Company might be willing to agree to this proposal. He suggested, however, and members concur that he be permitted to institute inquiries as to what fee advertisers would be prepared to pay for the privilege of sponsoring the performances of the Municipal Orchestra, whereafter he would communicate further with the Chairman. At that time he hoped to be in a position to submit definite proposals both as regards the fees to be payable for this privilege and the suggested employment of Municipal musicians in the Orchestra to be formed by the Company.

Pending the result of his further conference with the Conductor on these questions, it was decided to adjourn consideration thereof to another meeting.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

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TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres.

6-8 p.m.—European Programme of Victor Records.

6-6.35 p.m.—Orchestral & Choral Items.

The Merry Widow (Lehar),
Marek Weber & His Orchestra (V-50007).

St. Louis Blues & Gems from "Blackbirds of 1928",
Warren Mills & His Blue Serenaders (35962).

Dollar Princess (Leo Fall),
Nat Shilkret & His International Orchestra (V-50011).

Minstrel Show of 1929,
Victor Minstrels (35961).

6.36-7 p.m.—Operatic.

Song—
Barbiere Di Siviglia (Rossini)
A Little Voice I Hear,
Mignon (Thomas) I'm Fair Titania,
Madam Amelita Galli-Curci, Soprano (7110).

Accordion Solo—
Rigoletto (Verdi) Quartet,
Mignon (Thomas arr. Pietro Deiro)
Entr'acte Gavotte,
Pietro (V-19).

Song—
Africana (Meyerbeer)
Oh! Paradise!
Martha (Flotow) Like a Dream,
Beniamino Gigli, Tenor (7109).

7.02-7.26 p.m.—Variety.

Humorous Song—
I'm Only Making Believe,
Welcome Lewis (22126).

Organ Solo—
How am I to Know?
Jesse Crawford (22129)

Popular Melodies Accompanied by Nightingale & Canaries,

Actual Song of the Canary Bird,
From Reich's Viary, Bremen (V-1).

Humorous Song—
It's Unanimous Now,
Chick Endor (22151).

Accordion Duet—
Rhapsody in Blue,
Formeen Brothers (V-5).

7.26-8 p.m.—Orchestral.

Lehariana (Geiger),
Marek Weber & His Salon Orchestra (V-50002).

Leonore Overture (Beethoven),
San Francisco Symphony Orchestra (6907).

Over the Hills and Far Away (Grainger-Schmid),

Colonial Song (Grainger-Schmid),
Victor Symphony Orchestra (36035).

From the Rhine to the Danube (Rhode),
Gerhard Hoffman's Orchestra (V-50000).

8 p.m.—Local Time, Weather Report, etc.

8.05-10.30 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.

10.30 p.m.—Close Down.

STANDARD TIMES.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN COLONY.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for May, 1931, Standard time of the 120th Meridian East of Greenwich) are as follows:—

Date	Sunrise a.m.	Sunset p.m.
5	5.49	6.52
6	5.48	6.52
7	5.48	6.52
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9	5.47	6.53
10	5.46	6.53
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14	5.44	6.55
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17	5.43	6.56
18	5.42	6.57
19	5.42	6.57
20	5.41	6.58
21	5.41	6.58
22	5.41	6.59

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COMPENSATION FOR MR. VALPY?

Dismissal of a Briton in China.

HANKOW RAILWAY CASE.

London, Yesterday.

In the House of Commons to-day the question as to whether the Chinese Government would be induced to pay proper compensation to the British subject, Mr. Valpy, upon his dismissal from the Canton-Hankow Railway, was again raised.

Mr. Arthur Henderson, the Foreign Minister, said that he was content to leave the matter in the hands of the British Minister to do his utmost for Mr. Valpy.—Reuter.

PUBLIC MONEY.

(Continued from Page 1.)

The sum of $500 is now asked for in order to complete the essential installation work, for which no provision was made in 1931 Estimates.

Police Force, Traffic Light: $1,386.

To meet the cost of Traffic Signal Light erected experimentally at the junction of Jackson Road and Des Voeux Road Central.

The experiment having proved a success it is now requested that a special supplementary vote to meet the cost—£70.0.0 at 1/0⅛=$1,386 be approved.

Public Works Extraordinary: Providing black earth and turfing to grounds at "Lysholt": $1,407.

Provision made in Estimates: $10,000.

Part charges to provide a tennis court in the grounds of "Lysholt." The cost of the remaining portion of the work ($720) will be met from a Botanical and Forestry Department Vote.

As per schedule (Royal Society of Tropical Nature & Hygiene $610; Contribution cost of Advisory Committee on Education in Tropics, $843): $1,453.

Provision made in Estimates: $4,650.

The provision made in 1931 Estimates was based on a rate of exchange of $1 = 1s. 4d. The sums provided have, in consequence of the fall in exchange, become insufficient in cases dealing with sterling payments. A number of cases appear in the schedule, and a vote for $1,453 to cover the total excess concerned is requested.

Public Works Department:—Resumption at Fanling: $8,324.

By an arrangement with the Royal Hong Kong Golf Club the Government resumed certain areas that were essential for the proper development of the course.

It was agreed between the Government and the Club that moneys expended by the Club on the acquisition of land either directly from the owners or through the Government should be refunded to the Club and that on the said lands being leased to the Club (together with the remainder of the Club's former holding) the Club should pay, by way of additional Crown rent, interest at the rate of 4½ per cent. per annum on the moneys so expended.

The amount required to be reimbursed to the Club is $8,324, which amount is now asked for, but against this sum the Government will receive as Revenue from the Club a sum of $1,527 owing for arrears of rent for areas occupied by, but not yet leased to the Club.

Miscellaneous Services:—Office International D'Hygiene Publique, Paris: $505.

This vote is requested to meet the contribution (£26.10.5 at 1/- 5/8 = $504.16) from this Colony toward the expenses of the "Office International D'Hygiene Publique, Paris" in respect of the year 1931. This grant will be required annually and provision will be made in Estimates for 1932.

WRONG NUMBER.

NO EFFECT ON SUMMONS AGAINST DRIVER.

MR. HOARE FINED.

That a mistake in the number of a motor car stated on a summons did not affect the merits of the case was a ruling made by Mr. Schofield in the Central Magistracy this morning. Mr. C. H. Hoare was summoned for driving car his No. 2654, in Kennedy Road without a written permit from the Hon. I.G.P. on May 1. He stated that he did not drive car No. 2654 but that the number of the car that he was driving at the time was No. 2645.

Defendant did not wish to give evidence as he failed to see that he had a case to answer.

His Worship: Everything is correct except the number of the car.

Defendant: Yes.

The Magistrate: It does not affect the merits of the case.

Defendant: It is a point worth arguing.

Traffic Sergeant Guild: I may have made a mistake in putting the number 5 before the number 4. I am prepared to amend it.

Defendant, said that he would plead guilty to the charge, and a fine of $10 was imposed.

BANK NOTE TRICK.

WOMAN VICTIMISED BY CHINESE CROOKS.

Charged before Mr. W. Schofield in the Central Police Court this morning with the attempted larceny of two bangles by "the bank note trick" from a woman, Wong Ng (28), pleaded guilty, and was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

Detective-Sergeant Meadows, who prosecuted, said that another man was with defendant when they met the complainant in Queen's Road West on May 3. By means of the confidence trick, the men obtained the bangles, valued at $30 from the woman, who, however, changed her mind later and asked for the return of the ornaments. They handed back the bangles and the woman, in turn, gave back a roll of paper, wrapped up with a five dollar bill, which they in the first place had given her.

Men Chased.

The complainant continued with her shopping and in Queen's Road Central, whilst buying singlets, discovered that her bangles were missing. She came out of the shop and saw the two men, whom she chased. Defendant was arrested by a foki, but his accomplice managed to escape. It was not known who actually stole the bangles.

RUN OVER BY 'BUS.

Fung Fun (61), living at 36 Argyle Street, who was removed to the Kowloon Hospital on Sunday afternoon as the result of being knocked down and run over by a China Motor Bus Company vehicle in Nathan Road near the Mongkok Fire Station, died at 8.15 o'clock yesterday morning. The man suffered from concussion and a compound fracture of the right leg.

LANDLORD'S FEUD WITH TENANT.

Premises Damaged, Key Missing.

TROUBLE IN KOWLOON CITY.

Claims amounting to $99, with costs, were made in the Summary Court to-day, before Mr. Justice Lindsell, by the landlord of premises at 55, Main Street, Kowloon City.

Chau Sau-hong, plaintiff, sued the Kwong Chan firm, lately at the Main Street address, for one month's rent, $27, a further month's rent in lieu of notice, and $45, said to be paid cost of repairing the interior walls and partitions.

Mr. F. C. E. Rendall appeared for plaintiff. Mr. M. A. da Silva being for the defence.

Dates in Dispute.

Mr. Rendall, opening the case, said that defendants had been tenants of the premises since 1925. The agreement was a monthly one, the basis of calculation being from the 25th day of each Chinese month. It was claimed by his client that certain notice as tendered by defendants, was insufficient, and further that defendants stayed on in the premises after the notice was given. In addition, they did not return the key, and plaintiff, upon examination, found that cubicles had been damaged, and was put to the expense mentioned in repairing them.

Plaintiff, in the witness box, alleged that he received notice of defendants' intention to move on Christmas Day last year. This was only a few days before the regular monthly rent was due. He had to pay for the damage to the property, and did not receive the key back.

Series of Denials.

Cross-examined, plaintiff denied that he called on defendant in November, and enquired of him whether he intended to leave or not. He knew nothing at that time about his tenant intending to leave. Nor was he aware that notice had been served upon him at his old address at 251, Des Vœux Road, West.

Plaintiff further contended that he did not post up a "To Let" notice on the outside of the premises, in November. This was not done until one month later, when he had actually received the notice in dispute from the defendant.

Judgment was given for defendants.

LIVING IN LUXURY.

RETAILER IN OPIUM FINED FOR POSSESSION.

"He seems to be living in a beautiful place, and has a wardrobe full of the latest cut European style clothing," remarked Revenue Officer Ward in the Central Magistracy this morning, when he charged a Chinese, before Mr. W. Schofield, with the unlawful possession of 8.5 taels of raw opium. Defendant pleaded guilty.

Mr. Ward said that the defendant was a retailer in opium on a rather large scale at 19, Keswick Street. The Superintendent of Imports and Exports regarded such cases as being more serious.

His Worship imposed a fine of $500 with the alternative of six months' hard labour.

A WAR CORRESPONDENT.

Lisbon, Yesterday.

The death has occurred of Mr. Ellis Ashmead-Bartlett, the famous war correspondent.—Reuter.

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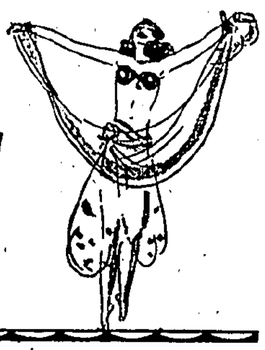

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